

Board Elects Nominating Committee

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, in a called meeting Monday afternoon of this week, elected a nine-man committee for the purpose of recommending to the Board a person or persons for the position of executive secretary.

According to the constitution of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, the position is to be filled by the Convention Board.

The 100-man Convention Board met at 2:00 p. m., with Dr. D. C. Applegate, Starkville, chairman, in the chair.

The meeting was called for the purpose of "setting in motion the procedure by which an executive secretary will be elected" to succeed the late Dr. Chester L. Quarles.

According to the motion adopted, the Committee will "investigate, listen, and pray" before making its recommendation or recommendations.

The nine-man committee, according to the motion, was elected by secret ballot with nominations from the floor. It will select its own chairman.

The committee follows: Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., Columbia; Dr. Leroy Green, Prentiss; Rev. J. R. Davis, Batesville; Dr. Robert L. Hamblin, Tupelo; Dr. Levon Moore, Pontotoc; Rev. A. Estus Mason, Crystal Springs; Dr. John G. McCall, Vicksburg; Rev. Dan

Morton, Amory; Glenn Perry, Philadelphia.

The nominating committee met soon after adjournment of the Convention Board meeting with Dr. Applegate, Board president, presiding.

The following officers were elected for the committee: Dr. Hamblin, chairman; Mr. Davis, vice-chairman, and Dr. Moore, secretary.

The committee went on record as "asking those across the state who desire to make nominations for the Executive Secretary place the nomination in writing and give it to some member of the Nominating Committee."

According to the Constitution, "The Board shall extend an indefinite call to an executive secretary who shall be the chief executive, administrative, and promotional agent of the Convention and the Convention Board. He may also be the treasurer of the Convention and the Convention Board."

In the interim A. L. Nelson, business manager, is serving as treasurer while the Executive Committee, through its chairman, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, of Jackson, is performing the functions of the office of executive secretary.

The Board accepted the resignation of Dr. Hudgins as chairman of the Audit, Budget and Allocations Committee (Continued on page 3)

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10,000 Boys To R. A. Congress

The 10,000 Southern Baptist boys aged 9-17 expected to attend the Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress in Oklahoma City, August 13-15, will have an opportunity to take a bicycle ride down a jungle trail, wing across the California desert in an airplane, and meet an astronaut in an African outpost.

All of these experiences will be indirect, though, but just as real, because Southern Baptist missionaries who do these things will transmit the experiences to the boys.

The opportunity to meet missionaries and to hear them bring to life their mission work will be a highlight of the

congress, which is expected to attract Royal Ambassadors from throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

The national congress, held once each five years, seeks to give boys mission experiences, a look at the Southern Baptist mission program, and the opportunity to enjoy fellowship with thousands of other boys from different areas.

Among the 19 missionaries who will speak to the boys is Dewey Merritt, principal of the Baptist Pastors' School in Kaduna, Nigeria who prepares Baptist pastors for tribes in northern Nigeria.

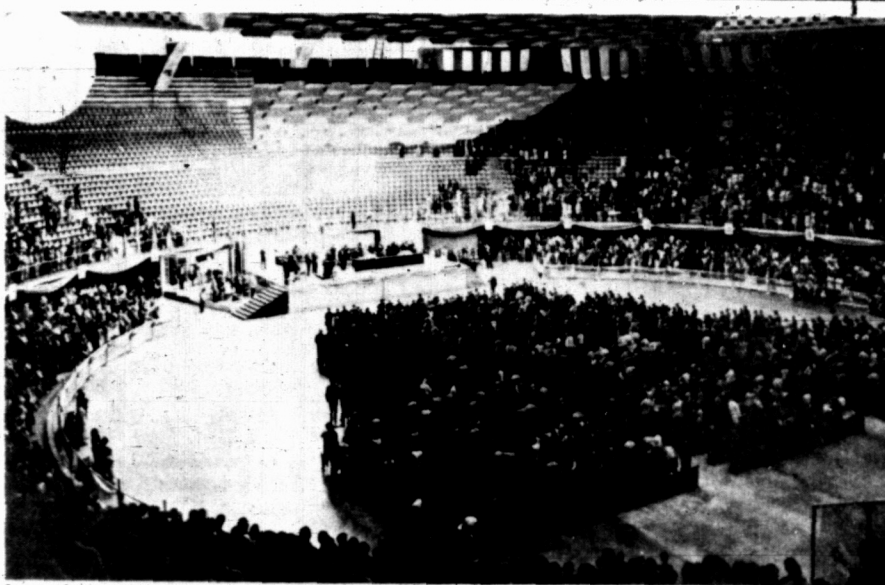
From a different part of the world, Ned Brown, a home-missionary, will tell of his experiences as pastor of a small Southern Baptist church in Gardena, Calif. Brown, who often goes to speaking engagements in a light plane witness to Japanese-Americans.

The boys also will hear Carlos R. Owens, Southern Baptist missionary to Tanzania, East Africa, the area of the continent made famous by Dr. Livingstone.

Owens often travels across giant Lake Tanganyika in a boat given to him by Royal Ambassadors in Tennessee. He named the boat "Wajumbe," meaning ambassador, in memory of the boys. Col. John Glenn, America's first astronaut, once visited Owens' mission post.

In addition to the mission experience, the boys will see a world championship rodeo, visit Oklahoma Indian villages, and meet famous Christian personalities, such as Tommy Lester, star of television's "Green Acres."

Reservations for Royal Ambassador boys and their counselors should be made through the Brotherhood departments of the state Baptist conventions.



An estimated 7,000 people attended each of the evening rallies of the Laymen's Congress held in the huge Coliseum in Rio de Janeiro July 15-19.

INVOLVEMENT STRESSED

Lay Congress Held

By Jim Newton

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, (BP) — Baptist laymen from 26 countries were urged during the Pan American Baptist Laymen's Congress to quit leaving evangelism up to ministers and to get involved personally in proclaiming the gospel.

The 646 laymen from North, Central and South America who attended the congress repeatedly heard pleas, from the opening speeches to the closing prayer, to put evangelism first.

Evangelism was virtually the only issue discussed during the five-day meeting here. The evening services were devoted to evangelistic services in the 300,000-seat Maracanazinho stadium which attracted crowds ranging from 8,000 to an estimated 15,000 to 20,000 on the closing night.

There were 143 decisions reported during the week — 104 on the last night — and on one night, a show of hands indicated that about 50 per cent of the people were already Christians.

But the whole tone of the services, like the theme of the conference, was evangelistic, aimed at involving laymen in evangelism.

It was the first hemispheric-wide laymen's evangelism congress for Baptist men ever held, but it won't be the last.

On the final day, the laymen voted to set up an organization called the Pan American Union of Baptist Men, for laymen in the Western Hemisphere, and to meet again in 1972 and every five years thereafter.

Owen Cooper, president of the Mississippi Chemical Corp., in Yazoo City, Miss., who chaired the Congress as head of the Crusade of Americas lay involvement committee which sponsored the meeting, was elected president of the newly created organization.

Cooper brought the matter of lay involvement in evangelism to the forefront in one of the opening addresses to the congress.

Citing the decline in influence of Christianity in the world today, Cooper said "that one of the major reasons is because laymen are not accepting their full responsibility in the proclamation of the

gospel. "We leave it to the preachers and missionaries and in some cases to the women," Cooper declared. "In our country we have too many preachers waiting on tables and too many laymen doing nothing."

Cooper observed that in the (Continued on page 2)

Jarman Urges: Stick To Bible

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (BP) — Emphasizing the Bible's place in evangelism, an influential Baptist layman from Nashville, Tenn., Maxey Jarman, urged Baptists to stick to the Bible in their political issues.

Jarman said that evangelism is so much more important than social issues that it is almost like the difference between love and hate.

Speaking to the Pan American Baptist Laymen's Evangelism Conference, Jarman took issue with Southern Baptist Convention leaders who, he charged, are putting social issues before evangelism.

Individuals in some Baptist congregations, some holding responsible positions in denominational affairs, have gotten themselves turned upside down; have reversed the divine order of importance and put unimportant things before the vital essential responsibilities of witnessing for Christ and seeking new souls for the Kingdom," Jarman said.

The wealthy Baptist layman, chairman of the board of Genesco, Inc., which manufactures Jarman Shoes and other products, chided Baptist officials who "have taken it upon themselves to issue public statements on social and political issues which are widely interpreted to express the doctrine for all Baptists."

Adding that no person has a right to speak for all Baptists, Jarman said he felt "resolutions passed by conventions or written manifestos are out of place in Baptist polity as they seem to indicate that such statements speak for all Baptists."

Although he did not refer to it specifically, many of the 646 Baptists attending the congress were from the United States, indicated they felt Jarman had reference to a manifesto on the racial crisis in the United States adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention recently after 71 top Baptist leaders signed the statement and publicized it widely.

"These statements and resolutions are written primarily (Continued on page 3)

FMB Appoints Two Mississippi Couples

Two couples from Mississippi have been appointed to foreign mission service: Rev. and Mrs. Billy R. Peacock and Rev. and Mrs. John E. Schooler.

Rev. and Mrs. Billy R. Peacock, of Blue Mountain, were appointed missionaries to Korea on July 11 by the Foreign Mission Board.

He has been pastor of Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, on the campus of Blue Mountain College, since November, 1964. She was school nurse during the spring semester recently ended.

Rev. and Mrs. Peacock will minister for missions in the Far East.

He was formerly pastor of Ridgecrest (La.) Baptist Church and music of music-

Touro Infirmary, New Orleans.

He told the Foreign Mission Board he was "convicted again of the mission call" last December, while preaching during a week of foreign mission emphasis observed annually in Southern Baptist churches.

The Peacocks are natives of Louisiana, he of Baton Rouge and she of New Orleans.

He received the bachelor of music degree from Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, and the master of religious education, master of

divinity degrees from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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HEMISPHERE-WIDE GROUP ORGANIZED

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (BP) — At the conclusion of a five-day meeting here, more than 600 Baptist laymen from North, Central and South America voted to set up a hemispheric-wide organization for Baptist laymen.

They also voted to set the next meeting of the newly created organization, called the Pan American Union of Baptist Men, for 1972, and elected a six-man steering committee to plan the meeting.

Elected president of the hemispheric-wide organization was Owen Cooper, president of the Mississippi Chemical Corp., in Yazoo City, Miss., who was chairman of

the Crusade of Americas committee which planned and coordinated the laymen's congress here.

The actions came during the Pan American Baptist Laymen's Evangelism Congress held as a part of the Crusade of Americas, an evangelism campaign encompassing North, Central and South America.

Cooper, who was responsible more than any other man for coordinating the Congress, said that although the new organization would cooperate in every way possible with the Crusade of Americas ended in 1970.

Idea for the new organization (Continued on page 3)



NEW MISSIONARIES from Mississippi look for the flags of the countries where they will serve. They are Rev. and Mrs. John E. Schooler (left) and Rev. and Mrs. Billy R. Peacock. Mr. Schooler is a native of Winston County. Mr. Peacock has been serving as pastor of Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST ADVANCE

There Are Two Basic Needs For Better Churches

By Rosalee Mills Appleby, Canton Missionary Emerita South America

Could it be that the frustration we face today as evangelical Christians is a vain effort to run on a human level the CHURCHES Christ created for the divine level? His "bride" can never be "at home" with the "earthly." The New Testament church, started with everything about her geared to the supernatural.

Yes, our churches were begun and were meant to continue in the climate of the DIVINE, Christ her head. The Holy Spirit her guide. The God-inspired Bible her message. Pastors divinely called and equipped. Deacons "full of faith and the Holy Ghost." Members "such as should be saved" by an experience divinely-operated. Life lived "by the faith of the Son of God." Moment by moment recognition: "I live, yet

not I, but Christ liveth in me."

Think, how absurd to expect unregenerate men to understand spiritual things so necessary to voting in business sessions, teaching in classes or witnessing! The Bible states that "the things of the Spirit of God are foolishness unto him." Imagine Sunday school professors who know Christ historically only leading her pupils to know Him experientially. Visualize trying to unveil the wonders of the Living and written Word without having Jesus in the heart! "The things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God."

The simplest and surest way to get our churches back to the New Testament pattern and power, is an understanding and appropriation of the NEW BIRTH and the FULLNESS of the Holy Spirit. Everything that has gone wrong through the centuries, came about because of

failure in these two foundation stones.

When a man is BORN AGAIN, he is ready to live and ready to serve; fit for life and fit for eternity. To "be filled with all the fullness of Christ" will insure for Christians the warmth, love, power, service, and compassion to win the lost world. NEW LIFE and activity flows from within, a ceaseless stream fed by illimitable POWER.

For our churches to accept a mental assent to doctrine as the NEW BIRTH and presume that all who know the theory of POWER possess it, is to weaken the whole fiber of the church. To take for granted that every person who enters the church has experienced the infilling is to deceive ourselves and to run things on human resources.

Until we get back to teaching and expecting real REGENERATION and the FULLNESS, all other types of reform will be inadequate to

meet the desperate needs of this desperate hour. A NEW BIRTH opens the door to the Christian life. His FULLNESS makes possible cooperation with Christ in winning the lost world. The same Holy Spirit who controls and guides the soul-winner will also bring conviction and enlightenment to the sinner with whom he is dealing. It guarantees that the Living Word is accompanying and cooperating with the written word in the process of soul-winning.

Two simple commands from the lips of our Savior touched the heart of every spiritual need through the ages:

"Ye must be born again."

"Tarry... until ye be endued with power from on high."

ability; no other remedy for the restless millions tossing on their beds in an attempt to forget by the way of dope or sleeping pills; no other cure for the demon possessed criminals of our day who seek psychiatrists in vain; no other answer to the frenzied mobs with clenched fists who haunt our streets at night; no other way to stop the downward plunge of our great nation.

MONEY WILL NOT "put away the evil day." (Amos 6:3) The "chant to the sound of viol" will not drown out the emptiness of the heart. Legislation will not heal the wounds. Education will never eradicate the open sores. If our churches cease to explain and expect the transforming change, called the NEW BIRTH, to whom shall the world turn at this dark hour? It will black out the last star in the sky. And that is not all... beyond, on (Continued on page 2)

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educational director for churches in Baton Rouge, Orleans, and Zachary, La. Mrs. Peacock attended Louisiana State University for two years before entering nursing school. Following graduation, she worked in Touro Infirmary for a few months and then attended New Orleans Seminary one semester.

She and Mr. Peacock have three children, Tracy 9, Kevin 6, and Phillip, nearly five. She expressed the hope that "availability as a family" will be used by God as a Christian witness overseas.

The Peacocks are the first in-service pastor and wife to be called as foreign missionaries from the Lowrey Memorial Church since it was erected in 1908 and named in honor of General and Mrs. M. P. Lowrey, founders of Blue Mountain College.

Since coming to Blue Mountain, Mr. Peacock has served as pastor adviser of the Blue Mountain BSU Council.

Under his leadership Lowrey Memorial Church has been completely renovated and all organizations strengthened. Mrs. Peacock has been active as GA counselor, Training Union sponsor, and college Sunday school teacher.

The family will move on July 31 to Ridgecrest, N. C., for four months of orientation there, and will report for language study and missionary duties in Korea in January, 1969.

Schoolars

A letter from Okinawa jolted Rev. and Mrs. John E. Schoolar, of Columbus, Ohio, out of a stateside ministry and into foreign mission service.

Mr. Schoolar, pastor of Maize Road Baptist Church,

Columbus, Ohio and Mrs. Schoolar were appointed missionaries to Okinawa on July 11. He will pastor Koza Baptist Church, which initiated contact with him early this year after a friend recommended him to the congregation.

"When we received that letter, my wife and I felt we must pursue the matter and seek God's will," Mr. Schoolar told the Foreign Mission Board. "After much prayer, we have come to believe that, at this juncture in our lives, it is his will that we serve in Okinawa."

They had discussed foreign missions during student days and had resolved to keep themselves open to the possibility of a ministry overseas.

Maize Road Church developed from a mission which Mr. Schoolar began in November, 1962. His previous pastorate were Chillicothe (Ohio) Baptist Church, First Baptist Church, Enon, Ohio (also started under his leadership), and seven congregations in Mississippi (most of them student pastorates).

A native of Winston County, Mississippi, he attended Clarke College, and graduated from Mississippi College, and from New Orleans Seminary.

Mrs. Schoolar, the former Clara Huckaby, was born in Houston, Tex., but grew up in southern Louisiana, near Opelousas. She received the associate of arts degree from Clarke College and also attended Mississippi College.

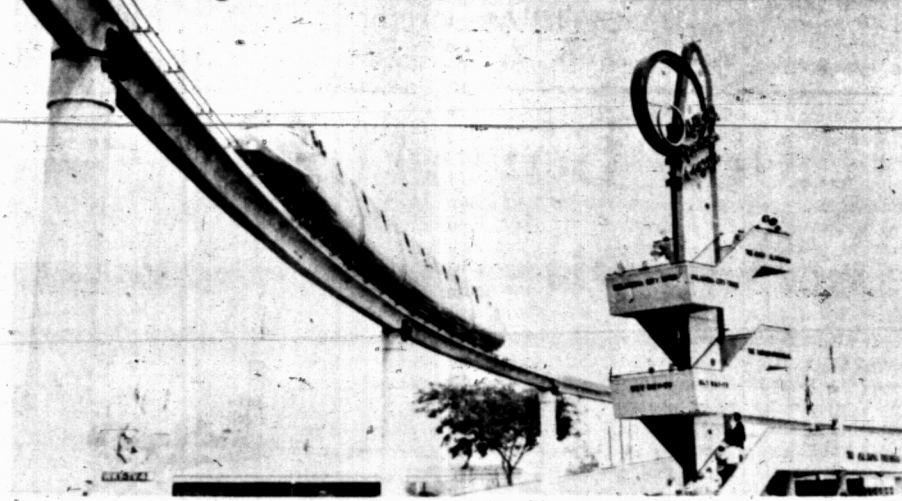
Now an accountant for a firm in Columbus, she previously held various office jobs in other cities.

She and Mr. Schoolar have a son, Roger, student in Georgetown (Ky.) College, and a daughter, Johnnie Clair, 12.

4th NATIONAL RA CONGRESS

Oklahoma City, Okla.

August 13-15, 1968



Circling the Oklahoma Fairgrounds Arena like a cowboy's lariat, a lofty monorail track will serve as a vivid reminder of progress for the 12,000 Baptist boys and leaders expected to attend the Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress Aug. 13-15 in Oklahoma City. The monorail will remain in mothballs during the three-day event.

Evangelism Congress In Rio Stresses Lay Involvement

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New Testament there is practically no distinction made between the laity and the clergy.

"I believe in theological education, but just because a man doesn't have a theological education doesn't seal his lips," he added.

A layman from Argentina, N. Aldo Brado echoed Cooper's statements, saying that the great majority of Christians believe that preaching and witnessing are the jobs of pastors, not laymen. "But we as laymen have the same responsibility to transmit the gospel," said Brado, business manager for the Argentine Baptist Publishing House.

There was little emphasis throughout the conference on social, moral, and political problems facing the world.

One of the speakers, Mayor Jarman of Nashville, Tenn., said that "bringing individuals to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ is infinitely more important than our obligation to be concerned with the problems of this evil world in trying to relieve suffering, trying to get justice, and trying to keep peace."

Jarman, chairman of the board for Genesco, Inc., which manufactures Jarman shoes and other products, said that witnessing is so much more important than social action that "it is like the difference between love and hate."

Wayne Dehoney of Louisville, Ky., told the conference that the three great problems of the world today are peace, poverty and prejudice, and that these problems can never be solved by changing society unless there is an accompanying change in the nature of man.

Dehoney said that Communism will never solve the world's problems because it does not change the nature of man, but only the structure of society.

Earlier, however, a dentist from Costa Rica, Ricardo Villalobos, told about his efforts in evangelism by trying

to meet social needs of the people through working in medical and dental caravans into the interior of Costa Rica.

Villalobos told the laymen he was not a Christian when he went on the first caravan, but when he saw the love of the Christian doctors and dentists in action helping the needy, and heard of their testimony for Christ, he became a Christian.

Basically, the meeting was harmonious in spirit. There was no debate and little discussion during the sessions.

In an interview, Cooper said that the whole spirit of the meeting was tremendous and was one of the key results of the Congress.

Another major result, Cooper observed, was that Christian laymen from different countries came to know one another and felt that they could accomplish more by working together than alone. This is what led to the organization, he said.

The meeting provided either an awakening or a re-awakening among laymen that men from all nations are interested in evangelism, and a resolve on the part of individuals to witness in their personal witnessing efforts, he added.

Cooper said he was a little disappointed with the attendance from the United States, a total of 147, but he felt that the ones who came got a lot out of it.

One layman from North Carolina remarked that the mission tour prior to the Congress had made a tremendous impact, saying he was touched by the tremendous needs. "We saw the need for food in garbage cans and in the streets," he said, asking: "What are we going to do about it?" In reply, he said the Congress participants must spark an interest for missions among other laymen and quit leaving it up to the pastors and missionaries.

Cooper said that another layman from the United States told him he had traveled 4,000 miles to pray for the first time with a Negro, and now he was ready to return to the States and work for improved race relations.

About 25 Negroes travelled to Rio on a chartered plane with a total of nearly 50 Baptists from Mississippi. The Congress was completely inter-racial and integrated.

One of the highlights of the Congress was the music by a 20-voice Negro choir from Mississippi Valley State College in Itta Bena, Miss., and by Negro soloist Robert Bradley of the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., in Nashville, Tenn.

The Negro choir and soloist seemed to have special appeal to the Brazilian people, who have pride in the lack of racial discrimination in Brazil. Music for the Congress was perhaps one of the most inspirational aspects, with featured sacred concerts by the youth choir from the First Baptist Church of Minden, La., Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board Music Consultant Claude Rhea, and businessman Russell Newport of Springfield, Mo.

A pageant dramatizing the Crusade of the Americas began also drew hearty approval from the 15,000 Brazilians attending the final night session. Applause greeted the pageant about a dozen times. Several were stunned, however, when a box full of tin-foil which was to symbolize "showers of blessings" as it glittered to the ground, fell on the head of a young girl. She was not injured badly and the pageant continued.

Participants said in interviews that the fellowship with Christian brothers of other nationalities and races was the most important single factor of the meeting.

Several others said that the attempt to start marshalling the talents of laymen throughout the hemisphere for the cause of Christ was the major result.

The Congress had its weaknesses as well as its strength. Several North Americans seemed frustrated because the meeting was always late in starting and ending, sometimes as much as an hour off schedule. But the Latin Americans seemed unruffled by this.

The language barrier was at times a problem. Speeches had to be translated into either English, Spanish, or Portuguese, causing most addresses to be twice as long as normal.

At times the meeting seemed slightly disorganized. As one conference delegate put it, "It is loose as a goose." Yet the arrangements seemed well organized, despite hazards of pre-congress communications from North to South America.

In spite of its shortcomings, the Congress was an attempt, the first one, to involve Baptist laymen on a hemispheric basis in the proclamation of the gospel.

One Baptist official called it a miracle of God. "I see God working in a mysterious way as all these factors—the 1965 Brazilian crusade, the Crusade

Royal Ambassadors To Hear Missionary To Tanzania



CARLOS OWENS, right, missionary to Tanzania, once welcomed astronaut Col. John Glenn to his post at Kigoma, on the shores of Lake Tanganyika. Owens will unfold some of his experiences in the remote outpost to some 10,000 boys at the Royal Ambassador Congress in Oklahoma City.



Pigs Named "Okla," "Homa," "City" WHEN THESE PIGS go to market, Chuck Bradshaw will be set to go to the Fourth National Royal Ambassador August 13-15. Chuck, shown feeding his pigs, is a Royal Ambassador from Suffolk, Va. He named the pigs "Okla," "Homa," and "City." Other boys have earned money harvesting pecans, planting pine trees, collecting scrap paper, and in many other ways.

Two Basic Needs

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beyond, an endless eternity to reckon with.

Rivers Of Living Water

The proud Roman Empire in the First Christian Century may be compared to the place in which America finds herself today. Rome was tottering on her last legs before a final collapse: Selfishness and sin. Materialism and secularism. Idle multitudes fed by the state. Cruel sports. High taxes and broken homes.

Even the religious leaders of the Jews lived a life of empty pretense and sham.

John in chapter seven of his Gospel, describes the Feast of Tabernacles in Jerusalem. Multitudes came with hungry hearts and restless souls. For seven days they sat through the old rituals that had brought hopes of a coming Savior in times past.

The weary listeners watched the priests pour on the altar the water from the golden pitcher. A whole week of ceremony and ritual without satisfaction to their thirst.

Jesus here steps into the drama:

"In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living waters. (This spake he of the Spirit, which

they that believe on him should receive).

Jesus. Life. Satisfaction. Fulfillment. Reality.

John puts a touch of permanence to this wonderful recording: "This spake he of the Spirit which they that believe on him should receive." He did not leave us to think it was something for the apostles only, or merely for the past but for all "that believe on him should receive."

"He spake of Spirit" — the Paraclete who came at Pentecost to 120, to Paul in Damascus, to Cornelius in Caesarea, to Moody in New York, and to untold millions till this day.

And Rivers of LIVING WATERS did flow! Christians in their inadequacy and nothingness were immersed in His limitless SUFFICIENCY. "Everything shall LIVE whither the river cometh. The result was love, power, and life's truest fulfillment.

Was the overall picture of the world any blacker than when Paul pleaded from the cold prison of Rome, this prayer that we need today:

"I thank God continually for you, and I never give up praying for you; and this is my prayer.

That God, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ and the all-glorious Father, will give you spiritual wisdom and the insight to know more of him: that you may receive that inner illumination of the Spirit which will make you realize how great is the hope to which he is calling you—the magnificence and splendor of the inheritance promised to Christians and how TREMENDOUS IS THE POWER AVAILABLE TO US, WHO BELIEVE IN GOD." (Eph. 1:16-19, Phillips)

One of the most pleasant memories of our time was the tingle of a telephone in Washington. Hardly had the announcement of the Peace Corps organization come from the lips of the President than the telephone began to ring. On and on it rang, until one week after the executive order had been signed there were almost four times as many volunteers as could be sent, and still they come. Why? Find all the faults in it you wish (I see some in it, too); but it still means this: the people of America have a hunger to do something with hope and heart and love in it—something more than animal—J. Wallace Hamilton in SERENDIPITY (Fleming H. Revell Company)

GLORIETA STUDENT CONFERENCE SET

NASHVILLE — "To Every Man and His Nation" is the theme of the student conference to be held at Glorieta (N.M.) Baptist Assembly August 22-28, 1968.

Program personalities for the conference have been announced. The director, education division, now serving as acting director of the department of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Evening speaker for August 22-24 and 26-27 is Clyde Fant, associate professor of preaching, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth. Speaker for evening assembly on Sunday, August 25 is Hardy Clemmons, pastor, First Baptist Church, Georgetown, Tex.

Daniel B. McGee, associate professor of Christian ethics, Baylor University, Waco, will serve the conference as Bible teacher.

Lyn Elder, professor of pastoral psychology, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, and Robert R. Solleau, associate professor of theology, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will

conduct directors' conferences. Elder's subject is "Psychology of Conversion" and Solleau's subject is "Barriers to Belief."

Serving the conference as music director is Glenn T. Boyd, minister of music, Highland Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas.

Morning speakers for the conference are: J. B. Bridges, director of department of student work, National Baptist Convention of Mexico (August 23); Louis Cobbs, associate secretary for missionary personnel, Foreign Mission Board (August 24); Riley Eubank, pastor, Seventh and James Baptist Church, Waco (August 25); Joe Coleman, architect, Tulsa (August 26); Milton Hughes, minister to Baptist students, University of Southern California, Compton, and UCLA, Los Angeles (August 27); Bill Glover, associate pastor, University Baptist Church, Austin (August 28).

The conference is sponsored by the student department of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

PRISONERS BAPTIZED IN GUATEMALA

By A. Clark Scanlon

GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala — Graceful swans glided in regal disdain across the spring-fed waters of Lago de los Cisnes (Swan Lake), a resort 40 miles from Guatemala City. Sunday picnickers, looking for fun and sun, spread out on the grassy slopes around the small pond. A little way from the splashing and boating, 200 Baptists, friends, and onlookers gathered for the baptism of 28 new Christians.

Among the baptismal candidates were seven men from a local prison, accompanied by their guards. In addition to the prisoners, those baptized in Swan Lake included 11 other persons from the Chimaltenango church, five from the town of Tecpan Guatemala, high in the cold mountains, and five—colorfully clad in handwoven blouses—from an Indian church in Santa Catarina Barahona.



TWO-A-PENNY, the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association's latest full length color movie was premiered in London's West End Prince Charles Cinema, June 20. The World Wide Pictures' production starring pop singer Cliff Richard of England will be shown two months in the theater before being released throughout the United Kingdom. The movie received reviews in most of London's daily newspapers as well as movie magazines. One review stated, "If all religion were as lively and astutely presented as this, it couldn't fail to win some battles... maybe even the war". The picture will be released in the United States later this year.

(CRUSADE INFORMATION SERVICE PHOTO)



Pearlington Men Erect Sign
FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH, PEARLINGTON, has erected a new sign on Highway 90 on the Gulf Coast, "hoping to attract someone for Christ." The men above, left to right, are: Jerry York, T. P. Ward, Ray Smith, Rev. J. L. Wardle, pastor, Earl Breland, and Ora Holden.

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was first proposed publicly in a speech to the Congress here by Natalio Aldo Broda, business manager for the Baptist publishing house of Argentina, who later made the motion to create the organization.

Broda was made chairman of a five-member committee which brought a report outlining what Cooper called the "framework" of the new organization.

The report, adopted after little discussion and no opposition, called for setting up a fellowship of Baptist laymen in the Western Hemisphere and sponsoring a hemisphere-wide congress in 1972 and every five years thereafter, "emphasizing evangelism and personal witnessing."

The committee, in its report, listed three major purposes for the hemisphere-wide organization: (1) to develop relationships between all Baptist men in the Western Hemisphere, (2) to encourage churches to utilize Baptist men in evangelism and missionary work, and (3) to sponsor a Pan American congress of Baptist men in 1972 and every five years thereafter emphasizing evangelism and personal witnessing.

The report also recommended that national and regional congresses be held, but set up no organization structure to coordinate and plan such national and regional meetings.

In the discussion period, Cooper made it clear that the new organization would not be competitive with any existing organization, and that it would be hemispheric-wide in scope. It would not work within specific countries where laymen's organizations already exist, he said.

There was no public opposition expressed during the discussion which was devoted mostly to questions directed to Cooper.

"We could spend two or three hours changing this (recommendation) one way or another," Cooper said. "But I believe the committee has come up with a good report, and let's have a very brief discussion and then vote."

When asked how the new organization would be financed, Cooper replied: "The Lord will provide the manna."

Later, in an interview, he explained that the committee had made no recommendations for financing the organization and the next meeting. "But we financed this meeting with contributions from individuals and registration fees, and I think we can do it again."

Asked about a possible relationship with the Baptist World Alliance, Cooper said in the discussion, "We are talking about an independent group at this time."

Later he indicated that he was not familiar enough with the Baptist World Alliance organization structure to know how a hemisphere-wide laymen's group would fit in, and that the committee did not want to pressure the Alliance to set up something it had no part in creating.

This is something that could be discussed and settled at the next meeting in 1972, he added.

Several questions in the discussion centered around whether women and pastors would be able to participate in the organization and attend the hemispheric-wide Congresses.

Cooper said that the steering committee could discuss these matters and bring recommendations to the 1972 meeting, but he felt that the preponderance of people attending should be laymen.

Named to the six-member steering committee were representatives of each of the six regions of the Crusade of the Americas—North America, Central America, and Mexico, the Caribbean, North and South America, Brazil, and Southern South America. The four officers plus two others comprise the steering committee.

OFFICERS are Cooper, as president; Rigoberto Steller of San Jose, Costa Rica, a government public relations worker, as vice president; Samuel Prato of Caracas, Venezuela, a construction engineer, as secretary; and Prado of Buenos Aires as treasurer.

The other two representatives on the steering committee are Roderick James of Kingston Jamaica, a pharmaceutical company representative; and Jacinto Calmon, an attorney in Rio de Janeiro.

Russian Baptist Claims Freedom To Worship

UPPSALA, Sweden (RNS)—Laws restricting religious freedom in the Soviet Union possibly could be changed if a majority of religious groups made the effort, according to a Russian Baptist leader interviewed at the Fourth Assembly of the World Council of Churches.

But there is no evidence of such a move, said the Rev. Konstantin Velisejchik, a delegate to the Assembly. He said a recent effort by a small group of Baptists would have been opposed "by the people themselves" if the government had not stopped it.

During a press conference, he repeatedly stressed the freedom of religious groups to maintain their own worship life, and to provide religious instruction for their own children.

He said that the persecutions of the Stalin era had ended.

Mr. Velisejchik is senior presbyter in Minsk for the Union of Evangelical Christian Baptists in the USSR which, he said, comprises some 500,000 Baptists, Evangelicals, Pentecostals and Mennonites.

Mr. Velisejchik said his own Church had made gains in the number of baptisms in recent years. Publication of religious literature, hymn books and Bibles is increasing, he said.

Among experiences awaiting Southern Baptist boys attending this year's Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress, Aug. 13-15, in Oklahoma City will be the opportunity to get autographs of Southern Baptist foreign and home missionaries.

W. A. CRISWELL

"Our Window To The City Of Dallas"

By Robert J. Hastings
In The Illinois Baptist

For 30 years, Margaret Humphries has sold papers at the Neiman-Marcus corner of Main and Ervay in Dallas, Texas. A short, heavy-set woman, she has been a familiar sight to thousands of passer-byers in her clean, cotton dresses and ever-present money apron.

Three or four years ago, Margaret walked in off the streets to a noonday service in progress at the Palace Theater in downtown Dallas. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the 1st Baptist Church, was preaching.

After the service, she approached the theater manager, a Jewish man. "What did he mean about this business of being saved?" Margaret asked. The manager suggested she go to Dr. Criswell's office and talk to him personally. Knowing Criswell's fondness for popcorn, he gave Margaret a big bag for the 1st Baptist Church pastor.

Clutching her giant-size bag of popcorn and wearing her traditional change apron, Margaret walked the few blocks to the 1st Baptist Church. In further conversation with Dr. Criswell, it became apparent that she had already yielded her life to Christ, during the first sermon she heard.

The following Sunday morning she walked down the aisle and asked for membership. In a few minutes, the pastor turned to introduce her. But she was gone. "Where's Mar-

garet?" Criswell asked. Not knowing the custom of presenting new members publicly, and also aware that it was time for her papers to be dropped off at the Neiman-Marcus corner, she had slipped quietly out of the service. But not out of her new church home! For since then, Margaret Humphries has been a faithful member, more often than not wearing her change apron, ready to slip out to her newsstand if the service went overtime.

Margaret is one of tens of thousands during the past 50 years who have heard the Gospel pre-Easter in noonday services at the Palace Theater in Dallas. The week preceding Easter, W. A. Criswell conducted services there for his 24th successive year, which he describes as their "window to the city." It started in 1919, when George W. Truett, then pastor of the Dallas church, returned from a preaching mission to U. S. troops in Europe. Thousands of Dallas citizens, led by Mayor Joe E. Lawther and all the city commissioners, met him at Union Station. Later a banquet was given in his honor at the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Truett was so impressed with community response and interest that he sought an opportunity to preach to the city outside his own pulpit.

He secured the Jefferson Theater, one of the largest in downtown Dallas and preached at noon each day the week of April 7-11, 1919. In

1922, the services were moved to the Palace Theater, where they have continued each year since. During Dr. Truett's ministry, the services were conducted for 26 years. His successor, W. A. Criswell, has just finished his 24th consecutive year in the Palace Theater, making a total of 50 years.

The downtown services have been planned to appeal to the non-churchgoer as well as the faithful. There is a congregational hymn or two, a special number, a brief word of welcome, and a 20-minute sermon. There is no offering nor public invitation. For years, the church's spring revival was held at night the same week of the theater services, and it was used to follow up contacts made at the Theater.

The theater ministry is one of several efforts on the part of the Dallas First Baptist Church to reach people outside its own building. As the church in the world, it has maintained a vigorous downtown ministry when many city churches have moved to suburban sites. Its buildings, which now cover 1 1/4 city blocks, still stand where the first little church was erected nearly a century ago.

Actually, the 1st Baptist from the downtown area. In 1868, one group wished to move out and did so, organizing what is still known as the Pleasant View Baptist Church. But 11 members wished to remain downtown which they

did, retaining the name "First Baptist Church." In subsequent years, occasional voices have suggested relocating the 15,000 member church, but they have never been seriously considered.

While many downtown congregations have declined or relocated, how has this church continued to grow in the heart of the business district of a city of 2 million people?

I looked for the answer on a recent visit to Dallas, and I think I found it. Part of the answer lies in the spirit of Pastor W. A. Criswell who believes that real religion is "one cup of cold water, one lost sheep, a lost coin, or a lost boy."

As evidence of their interest in people outside the walls of their building, I found these projects:

(1) A Good Shepherd department, operating much as a "church within a church," with its own pastor and associate, plus all departments of work. Five buses bring transient-type person from low-income areas.

(2) Five mission chapels operated in areas of Spanish-speaking and low-income areas of the city.

(3) An oral-deaf department for younger people, featuring lip reading and earphones, which also works in cooperation with the public school classes for the deaf.

(4) A manual deaf mission, another "church within a church," with its own pastor and full organizations, primarily for older deaf persons

who depend on manual interpretation.

(5) Providing clothing, food, medical aid, and employment counseling in cooperation with the Red Feather agencies in Dallas.

(6) Mission choir tours by 150 teenagers who last summer spent two weeks in Canada not only singing but doing informal witnessing and holding evangelistic services at resort areas and other stops.

The members and staff of the 1st Baptist Church at Dallas work hard to have over 5,000 in Sunday school and 3,000 in each of three worship services each Sunday.

They also work hard to minister to the Margaret Humphries of Dallas who may sell newspapers on a busy corner, live in low-rent housing project, or need help in finding a job.

As Pastor Criswell puts it, "Real religion is... a cup of cold water."

(The author is indebted for much of the material in this article to L. H. Tapscott, former Texas state Brotherhood secretary. He is serving during this Centennial Year as parttime assistant to W. A. Criswell. His responsibilities include preparing the manuscript, "Fifty Years at the Palace," to be published next year, and visiting each of the church's 232 members who have been members 50 years or longer. See related story on page 4, "A Sunday in Dallas").



Baker Bryson Nimmons Counce Hall Madison Everett

Gulfshore Bible Conference Coming August 5-9

The eighth annual Gulfshore Bible Conference will be held the week of August 5-9. Dr. Joe T. Odle, editor of the Baptist Record, will direct the meeting.

Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy, Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, and Dean of the School of Theology, New Orleans Seminary, will lead in Old Testament studies.

Dr. Albert McClellan, of Nashville, Program Planning Secretary, Executive Committee, SBC, will teach the book

of Isaiah, the January 1969 Bible Study book.

In the study of the New Testament, Dr. Joe H. Cothen, pastor of Alta Woods, Jackson, will teach Philipians, and Dr. N. J. Westmoreland, Wichita, Kansas, executive secretary, Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists, will teach I Peter.

Inspirational messages will be delivered by Dr. Allen W. Graves, Dean, School of Religious Education, Southern Seminary.

Dan C. Hall, Jackson, music director for the state Convention Board, will lead the music with A. L. Nelson, Convention Board business manager, at the organ. Mrs. Mike Everett, Mr. Nelson's secretary at the Baptist Building, will be pianist.

Rev. W. T. Douglas, assembly manager, will be coordinator for the Juniors and Intermediates. He will be assisted in the teaching by Rev. Harold Bryson, pastor, First, Sumrall; Rev. Harris Counce,

pastor, First, Iuka; Rev. Bill Baker, pastor, First Church, Calhoun City; and Rev. Bill Nimmons, assistant pastor and minister of education, First Church, Starkville.

Miss Carolyn Madison, elementary worker with the state Sunday School Department, will be coordinator for the Children's Building.

All requests for reservations should be mailed to W. T. Douglas, Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Miss., 39571.

1st, Winona Calls Pastor

Rev. Kermit McGregor assumed pastoral responsibilities in Winona's First Church, June 17, after having served for three and a half years with the Bruce, First Church. He succeeds Rev. John W. Green who is now an employee of the Louisiana Baptist Convention Board.

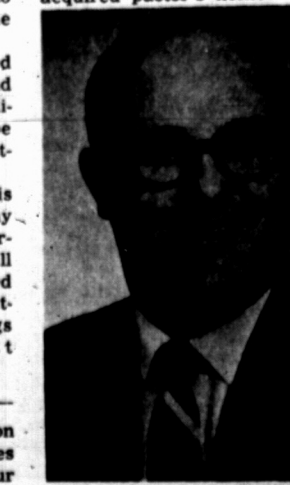
Outstanding records were made during the years at Bruce, especially in the number of additions to the church, Sunday school enrollment, mission gifts, number of tithers and over-all giving of the church. Under the McGregors' leadership, property was purchased for future building and parking, a new house was erected for the Minister of Music and Education, and a previous educational building indebtedness was paid. Two morning worship services were initiated and a weekly radio broadcast over WCPC in Houston.

The Bruce congregation honored the McGregors with a silver service presentation in a special service, Wednesday evening, June 12.

Mr. McGregor is a native of Pontotoc County. He is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and New Orleans Seminary. Other pastorates have included, New Hope, Pontotoc; Pleasant Ridge, Dumas; Thompson, Smithdale; and Ingomar, New Albany.

McGregor is a frequent youth retreat speaker. He has been active in associational activities and was serving as Moderator of the Calhoun County Association for his second year. He is married to the former Phyllis Lane McCoy of Algoma. They have one daughter, Lisa Lane.

The Winona, First Church welcomed the McGregors with an open house at the recently acquired pastor's home.



Rev. Kermit McGregor

Board Elects

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of the Board since the Executive Committee will be functioning through him in performing the duties of executive secretary during the interim.

The Board voted to request its Committee on Board organization to name a replacement on the ABA Committee as well as a chair.

The Board voted that the State Convention Annual this year be dedicated to the late Dr. Quarles and that a dedication service for the new Mississippi Baptist Convention Building be held.

The Board authorized the appointment of a committee to draw up a Resolution regarding the late Dr. Quarles.

Named to this committee were Claude Townsend, Florence, convention president; Dr. Hamblin and Dr. Moore.

ITCHING TO SMOKE

A cigarette smoker suffering from chronic bronchitis may develop an "itching" sensation of the bronchial tubes, which is actually a manifestation of the illness. He feels a need to alleviate the "itching" with the hot nicotine smoke of the next cigarette. "The chronic bronchitis of a heavy smoker may make him a still heavier smoker," says Dr. Borje E. Cornell Medical Center, "because of the desire to scratch his lungs with smoke. This can also apply to victims of asthma or emphysema."



Pontotoc Man In Rhodesia
Van Wagner Williams, III, of Pontotoc, examines a young patient at Sanyati Baptist Mission Hospital in Rhodesia. A student at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, he is representing the Mississippi Baptist Student Union as a summer missionary in Rhodesia. (Photo by Gerald S. Harvey)

BRAZIL BAPTIST HOSPITAL SCENE OF HEART CRAFT

A team of heart surgeons, directed by Dr. Austelino de Abreu, worked steadily for 18 hours at Baptist Memorial Hospital, Fortaleza, to complete a first-of-its-kind heart operation in northeast Brazil. Substitute blood vessels made of Dacron were grafted to the ascending and descending aorta, the large artery leading from the left ventricle of the heart, according to O Fovo, Fortaleza daily (article translated "roughly" by Baptist layman M. D. Cannon, of the University of Arizona).

The patient, Ananias Goncalves de Sousa, a farm worker from Ipu, suffering from an aneurism (dilation) in the aorta, had been in the hospital for several days in a very critical state. Goncalves was reported to be doing well following the operation.

Jarman Urges

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to impress the general public," Jarman said.

"Such approaches are in reality a political move and express the desires of some individuals to make Baptists as a group influential in political affairs. Nowhere in the New Testament do we have any example of trying to influence government," he said.

"Such policies can only lead to division and hard feelings," he observed. "We must by all means stick to the supremely important obligation committed to us to spread the good news about Jesus Christ."

Prayer For Graham

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while he is in Pittsburgh" and has invited the evangelist to dinner, "so we can talk of the things of God."

But the bishop maintained that "for reasons of faith and conscience the Catholic diocese in Pittsburgh cannot be a co-sponsor of the evangelistic crusade."

However, he indicated his practical interest in many ways. For instance, Mt. Mercy College, he said, "will make available much-needed parking space" for those attending the crusade meetings to be held at nearby Pitt Stadium.

Regardless of your position in life, getting on your knees will help keep you on your toes.

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A Relevant Message

The word "relevance" is a very popular one right now, especially with critics of those who believe that the first task of the church is to preach the gospel of personal redemption through faith in Jesus Christ.

These critics say that such preaching is not relevant to modern life, and has nothing to offer to modern man.

They also say that churches must give their emphasis to racial justice, poverty, peace, etc., since these are the problems creating crisis right now.

But are these the only issues relevant in this hour? Has man changed? Is not his greatest need still spiritual? Suppose he has food, shelter, clothing, education, justice and acceptance, and does not know Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour and Lord? Has he not missed the greatest thing of his life?

And if any church or denomination of churches is so busy expending its energies seeking to provide the social needs, that it neglects the man's spiritual needs, and fails to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, has it not missed its central purpose?

Moreover, how can the church center its message

on "peace" and neglect the spiritual, when the Bible says "There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked."

And how can the church major on man's physical poverty, when the Bible makes clear that spiritual poverty is his most serious problem.

How can the conflicts between men be solved, until the love of God is shed abroad in their hearts through regenerating work of the Holy Spirit?

And how can there be justice until the God of justice has control of the heart, a control which can come only through spiritual new birth?

No Christian should be blind to the social problems and social needs of those about him, and of all men to the ends of the earth. No individual with Christ in his heart can look on with unconcern at the physical and social needs of his fellow men. Neither should any church fail to minister to those needs in every way that it can, or to use its influence in helping bring about their solution.

However, the church must never forget that its first, and major task, is to meet man's most serious need, the regeneration of his soul. Because that is true, the effort to witness to Christ as Saviour and Lord is most relevant. It is, and always must be, the church's greatest task.

In his book, MAN'S RUIN, an exposition in the first chapter of Romans, Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse, speaking of Paul's desire to preach the gospel "in Rome also," says,

"Paul was not ashamed of the gospel as he moved toward Rome. It was a city of slaves but he would not center his preaching against slavery. It was a city of lust but he would not center his preaching on moral

reform. It was a city of economic injustice but he would not center his message on momentary palliatives. It was a city built upon war's rapacity but he would not center his preaching on pacifism. Anyone who seeks to preach in such directions cannot find his texts in the Bible. It is true, of course, that here and there, there are verses which show that peace and righteousness and justice are the by-products of the Christian faith, but these must be attained not by centering our preaching on their necessity, or their moral rightness, but by setting forth the power which alone can bring them into being and practice individual lives."

"To preach the social gospel without the redemptive background of individual salvation from sin of the individual sinner is like launching a glider instead of a high-powered plane. A glider may soar for a while on the fickle currents of the wind, and climb high on some sudden up-draft, but it is the four whirlwind motors that will carry a bomber to the stratosphere and jet-propulsion and rockets that will take a plane beyond the speed of sound. To preach pacifism and socialism will move small segments of a warlike and greedy populace for the moment, but the gospel of Jesus Christ has always transformed individuals who received it in Spirit and in truth, and has made them the center of new circles of peace and righteousness." (pp. 161-162)

The gospel of Jesus Christ is as relevant today as it was in Paul's day, and the church of Jesus Christ had better keep it at the center of its mission and message, if it expects to change the world, or improve world conditions.



The American people favor the passage of Federal laws that would place tight controls over the sale of guns in this country according to the Lewis Harris Poll published in the New York Post. Mr. Harris said proposed gun-control legislation had been before Congress for a year but a vote had been prevented by strong opposition from the National Rifle Association. Mr. Harris said the number of homes in which occupants said they owned guns had reached 51%. He said the largest incidence of acknowledged gun ownership had been found in rural areas, where 78% of those interviewed reported they owned guns. In the south, he said 64% of those interviewed owned guns; in small towns 58% owned guns. Since last August according to the survey, there has been an increase from 29% to 51% in the number of household gun owners who would use their weapons to shoot other people in case of a riot. (New York Times, 4-23-68)

Women workers are paid less, from 5% to 44% less than men for comparable jobs. The government surveyed 11 different occupations (clerks, tabulating machine operators, janitors, elevator operators, among them) and discovered some big differences in pay checks. An average male accounting clerk, for example, makes \$120 a week, compared with \$100.50 for female clerks. (Changing Times, 3-68)

Border Springs Pastor Moves To Louisiana

Rev. Odus Jackson, pastor of Border Springs Church, Caledonia, has resigned to accept Northside Church, Baker, La.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jackson, of Gloster, he is married to the former Peggy Ann Lewis of Gloster. They have two children, Judy Ann, 10, and Jerry, 18.

Mr. Jackson attended Southwest Jr. College, Clarke College and completed his work toward the B.A. Degree from William Carey College. He has also attended New Orleans Seminary, and has pastored churches in Mississippi and Alabama.

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

July 29 — David McCubbin, Lauderdale County Training Union director; Addie G. McNeely, Clarke faculty.

July 30 — Mrs. W. E. Hannah, state WMU president; Mrs. Lucille Robertson, faculty, Gilfoy School of Nursing.

July 31 — Kathryn Bearden, Baptist student director, Gilfoy School of Nursing.

August 1 — Mrs. Jo Loper, Wm. Carey College faculty; Hilda Jane Ables, Baptist Book Store.

August 2 — Andrew Clark, Baptist Building; Leonard Thompson, Baptist Building; Mrs. Irene Lipscomb, Baptist Building; Norman Rodgers, Baptist Building.

August 3 — Jessie Nolen, Children's Village staff; Carolyn Stone, Blue Mountain faculty.

August 4 — R. R. Pearce, Miss. College faculty; Hartwell McPhail, Miss. College faculty.

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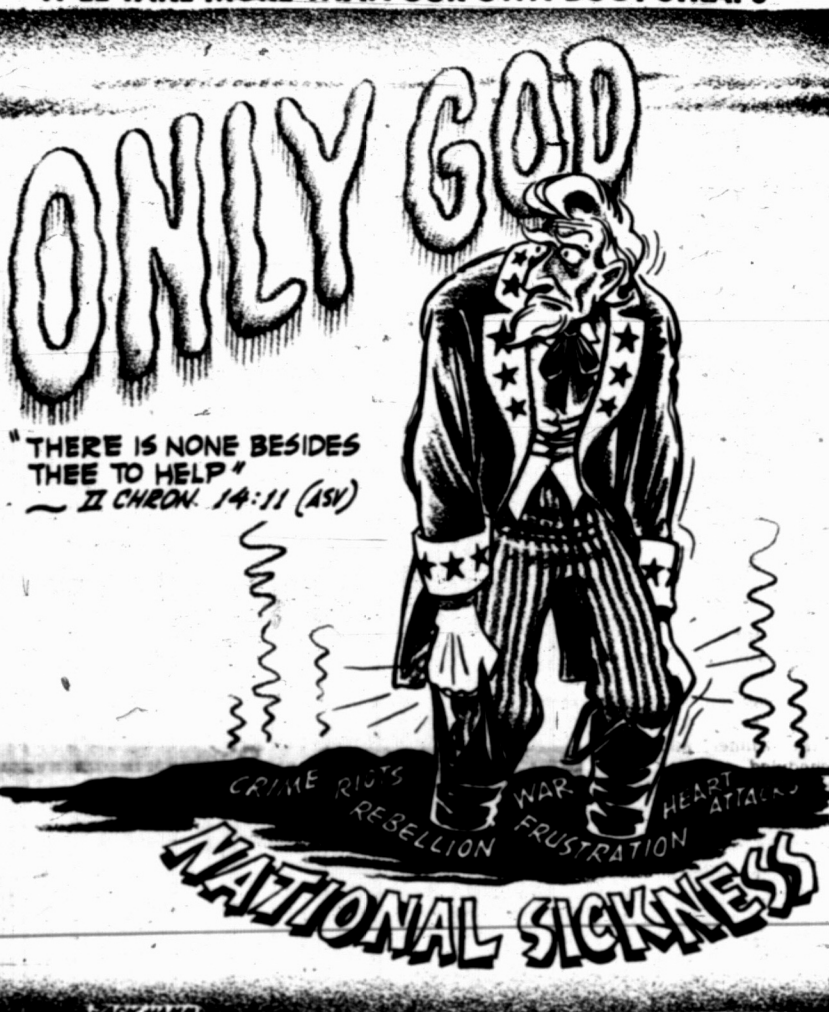
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Newest In Books

THE AMERICAN HERITAGE HISTORY OF THE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES, a three-volume set comprising **THE AMERICAN HERITAGE HISTORY OF THE PRESIDENCY** by Marcus Cunliffe and **THE AMERICAN HERITAGE PICTORIAL HISTORY OF THE PRESIDENTS** (two volumes) by the Editors of American Heritage. (American Heritage Publishing Co., three-volume boxed set, \$35.00, two volumes on Presidents, \$18.50, volume on Presidency, \$16.50)

THE AMERICAN HERITAGE HISTORY OF THE PRESIDENCY (384 pp.) is the story of the invention and continuing evolution of a remarkable institution, the Presidency of the United States. As an Englishman, Professor Cunliffe is able to look at the history and character of the American Presidency with a dispassionate and unprejudiced point of view. The 244 pictures in this book, 63 in color, show how various Presidents have fulfilled the role of Chief Executive and document the image that the Presidency has presented to the nation and the world. Following each of the four sections is an anthology of excerpts from pertinent writings entitled "The Presidency in Documents."

THE AMERICAN HERITAGE PICTORIAL HISTORY OF THE PRESIDENTS is the story of the 36 men who have held our country's highest office since it was created at the Constitutional Convention at Philadelphia in 1787. There is an illustrated biography of each of the Presidents, with

emphasis on the years in office. Each biographical sketch is followed by a two-page spread of Facts in Summary, a chronology of the major events of the President's life. To gather the 563 pictures, 449 in color, American Heritage editors travelled thousands of miles across the country to visit the 30 Presidential homes and libraries that still exist, as well as museums, historical societies, and private collections that have Presidential material. There are pictures of all the Presidents as children or young men; portraits or photographs of the First Ladies, and of many Presidential offspring, and pictures showing various changes made in the White House from one administration to another. There are illustrations of Presidential memorabilia, campaign items etc. This is a truly beautiful set of books which anyone should be proud to own.

THE KEYS TO A HAPPY MARRIAGE by H. F. Parker (C. R. Gibson Publishing Co., 35 cents)

This small booklet is designed to give to couples before marriage and is also an inexpensive guide to give to those who have some marriage problem. The author is pastor of Miami Springs Baptist Church, 378 Westward Drive, Miami Springs, Fla.

A CHRISTIAN'S GUIDE TO THE OLD TESTAMENT by John B. Taylor (Moody, paperback, 95 pp., 95 cents)

This very readable introduction to the Old Testament answers such basic questions as "Why read the Old Testament?" and "How do we read

the Old Testament?" Beginning with answers to questions such as these, the author describes the daily activities and cares of an Israelite family. This approach proves beneficial for a sympathetic understanding of culture and life during Bible times. Mr. Taylor tells in story form the major points contained in the Old Testament, and then points out New Testament teachings found in the Old Testament.

HYMNS AND THE FAITH by Erik Routley (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 311 pp., \$4.95)

The author provides a personal and devotional commentary on a series of popular hymns, recreating their atmosphere, and retelling the spiritual story of each one.

JUST ACROSS THE STREET by Dale Oldham (Warner Press, 160 pp., \$4.50)

Here in warm, personal, direct narratives are ways in which an individual can be a growing Christian and overcome life's typical problems.

DRAWING TOWARD GOD by Jack Hamm (Droke House Publishers, Anderson, S. C., 111 pp., \$3.50)

In this book, Jack Hamm applies scriptural truth to everyday living. By means of fifty full-page drawings interspersed among words of inspiration, the reader is led to reflect with the artist-author on the great issues of life. More than a billion impressions of Jack Hamm's religious art have been printed in the U.S. and 18 foreign countries. (The Baptist Record uses one of his cartoons weekly.) The introduction to the book is by Charles M. Schulz, creator of "Peanuts."

By C. E. Autrey Home Mission Board

Jesus tells us in the 9th Chapter of Luke: "Be it unto you according to your faith." Great things are still happening in the realm of revival, in the realm of evangelism, to those who have faith enough to believe, and to try it. I wish to give a few examples of this in this brief article.

Only recently our division, under the guidance of Dr. Harold Lindsey, set up a crusade in Phoenix, Arizona, with the assistance of Dr. Childress who is Secretary of Evangelism for that state, and the pastors in Phoenix. It was a revival that invited everyone to come who believed enough in evangelism to come into such a revival, and as a result many churches did come in that were not Baptist churches. There were approximately 400 churches involved, and in one week's time there were 2,017 professions of faith and 700 other different decisions. As soon as the revival in the stadium, which was conducted by Rev. James Robertson of Oklahoma, ended then the pastors went into their own churches for a week of preaching. Either they were doing the preaching or they had employed some other pastor to come and assist them in doing the preaching, in order to follow up on what took place in the stadium. This, to me, is a demonstration of the power of God and that God is still alive, and that if we have faith enough in him to trust him he will follow us and will bless us.

The other illustration which I wish to use has reference to Rev. Bill Glass, who is one of the main linemen for the Cleveland Browns. He is a graduate of Baylor University and of Southwestern Theological Seminary. Five months in the year he works for the Cleveland Browns and the other seven months of the year he holds revivals. I attended one such revival on Sunday night, May 12, and it was a rainy Sunday night. They had planned to hold the services in the stadium where they had been having as high as 8,000 and more in attendance of different denominations, including the Negroes.

IN QUEST OF THE LEAST COIN by Grace Nies Fletcher (Wm. Morrow, 190 pp., \$4.75)

This is an eloquent report on an international charity: the Fellowship of the Least Coin. Christian women of Asia have joined together in this project. Twelve times yearly each member contributes, along with her prayers, the smallest coin of her country.

Out of this collection of mites has grown, in ten years, a fund of over a half million dollars — which money has aided in ninety philanthropic projects around the world. The author has travelled to many countries, visiting places where the money has been used, and of her travels has written an adventurous and inspiring account. In Ceylon, she visited a home for mentally defective children. In Hong Kong, she worshiped in the chapel of a resettlement project. In East Harlem she learned that funds had been contributed to fight against drug addiction.

DARE TO REACH OUT!

Faith In God

They were forced to go to the gym, which when chairs are placed all over the floor and in the balcony can seat some 4,000 people. It was filled to capacity and the ushers had to turn away many hundreds of people who would have come to the revival otherwise.

Bill Glass preached a simple, Biblical message presenting Christ as the Saviour of the world, and then called upon the people to commit themselves to Jesus Christ by faith and repentance. It was amazing what took place! So many people came down to the front until they had to send them to the counselling room and continue the invitation by having others to come. Dr. Stallings, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Marietta, took me back to the motel where Mrs. Autrey and I got into our car and came on home. Dr. Stallings told me that they had had in the week's time approximately 1,000 decisions and that 80% of them were on profession of faith. I saw a demonstration of the power of God Sunday night, and this can be seen all over the land if we have faith enough to preach Jesus and then to trust him for results.

I have a letter in hand from Rev. L. Vernon Sisco, Pastor of East Corinth Baptist Church at Corinth, Miss., telling me about a new type of thing which he is doing. He is using what is called "Film Evangelism." He has made a movie and they take this moving picture and show it in the churches, in the theatres, and the schools. They have had tremendous results and it appears to me that something of this order, to get outside the walls of the local church, out there where the people can be reached for the Lord, and give the Gospel a breather, as well as preaching it from the pulpit in the local churches — preach it in our gyms and stadiums and theatres by film and in person — ought to be done and is a Divine mandate from God that we do it.

So, it is my humble prayer that those who read these lines will dare to follow in the path of the men to whom I have referred and that you will dare to reach outside the walls of your church and to reach the hungry-hearted people who do not know Jesus and they do not really know what is wrong with them; and they will only know Jesus if you take the Gospel to them. They aren't likely, most of them, ever to come to our churches; but we must go to them."

GOLD PIECE GIVEN TO REC FUND

A 1907 five dollar gold piece in excellent condition has been donated to the recreational building fund of the Tangipahoa Baptist Church.

Any person who would like to add this coin to their coin collection would not only benefit themselves but also donate to a good cause. The coin will be given to the person who donates the largest amount.

Anyone interested in this collector's item should contact the pastor, Rev. Larry W. Fields, Route 2, Box 201, Summit, Miss. or call 684-6601.

Today's Youth Mississippi Missionaries Send Reports From Montana

The Pioneer Missions Committee of Mississippi has sent 22 summer student missionaries to the Northern Plains Baptist Convention and one to work in a Spanish-speaking mission in Greeley, Colorado. There follows some comments from the reports of several of these workers.

Larry L. Aultman (Sunrise Church, Hattiesburg) writes from Butte, Montana: Thoroughly enjoyed the activities at Orientation and especially

the tremendous spiritual atmosphere which the group of young people created. Completed first week of VBS at Floral Park Church. We're having an excellent school and I'm thankful that I can share a part in winning boys and girls to Christ.

William Brown (Hebron Church, Grenada) writes from Poplar, Montana: We're having VBS. It's hard to get the Indians to cooperate but we are still trying and praying. Had 2 to profess Christ since I've been here but none of the public professions yet.

Jennie Butler (First Church, Laurel) writes from Emerado, North Dakota: Our orientation program was wonderful and a

very rewarding experience. VBS in Bismark, N. D., Capitol Heights Baptist Church, had 67 enrolled with an average of 60. The church is presently without a pastor but the

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Walthall County Youth Retreat

The pastors of Walthall County have planned a Youth Retreat to be held at Crystal Springs Church, July 27. Registration will begin at 9:00 a. m. The meeting will close at 3:30 p. m. Dr. Don Stewart, William Carey College, will be the speaker. The subjects he will discuss will be, "What The Bible Says About New Morality," "What The Bible Says About Evolution." Young people are urged to take part in this special program.

Basketball: Two Baptists In Top Five

ARKADELPHIA, Ark.—Two Ouachita Baptist University Tigerettes have been selected among the top five players for the United States Junior Women's Basketball Team to tour South America next summer. Three other Tigerettes made the 16-member group, which will be cut to 12 before the tour.

Named to the top five after-tryouts in Oklahoma were Myrna DeBerry, a senior from St. Charles, and Lin Gamble, a sophomore from Grand Cane, La. Making the 16-girl squad were Patsy Hill, a junior from Lawton, Okla.; Charlotte Duckett, a senior from Mustang, Okla.; and Patricia Ramsey, a junior from Tyler, Tex.

Attends World Youth Meet

Rev. Jerry Melvin Glass (pictured), pastor of Dry Creek Church, left July 15 from New York to visit nine European countries and to attend the Baptist World Youth Conference in Bern, Switzerland, being held this week. The church made this trip possible for him. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Glass of Star, he will enter his second year at New Orleans Seminary this fall.



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Susan Walters Continues To Win Top Music Honors



Susan Walters

CHAUTAUQUA, N. Y., July 2, 1968.—Susan Walters, a 15-year old pianist of Forest City, N. C., formerly of Hattiesburg, Miss., is spending her fourth summer studying and performing at Chautauqua, N. Y. In competitive auditions on June 28th, she won the Eleanor Daughterty Piano Scholarship. She will continue her study with Pianist Ozan Marsh with whom she has studied previously at Chautauqua and at Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C.

Susan is the regular accompanist of the Youth Choir at First Baptist Church, Forest City, and very often accompanies the Sanctuary (adult) choir in larger choral works, oratorios, cantatas, etc. She attends Sunday School, Training Union and occasionally assists with the children's choirs.

Performances in the Carolinas. In recent months Susan has won numerous honors in public appearances and in contests in both North and South Carolina. She began this series of performances on April 18 when she made her concert debut in Spartanburg, S. C. She received a standing ovation from the overflow audience in the auditorium of the Spartanburg Day School.

The producer of Spartanburg's "Philharmonic Hour," Rene Royards, inspired by



A Favorite At Glorieta

GLORIETA, N. M. — Billy Garrett of Harrisville, Miss., has been named a Staff Favorite at Glorieta Assembly. Six of the 456 staffers are chosen for this honor. He is pictured across the lake from the 2800-seat Holcomb Auditorium. The son of Mrs. Louise Garrett, he will be a freshman at Mississippi College this fall. At Glorieta he is a member of both the staff choir and the staff choir and serves on the paper staff and social committee. He is crew chief for the guys who work in New Mexico Hall. Interested in music and drama, he is a foreign missions volunteer.

State Cadet Elected To Top Leadership Post At West Point Academy

Cadet Robert R. Harper, Class of 1969, has been elected General Superintendent of the Protestant Sunday School at the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. Cadet Harper is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Harper, Cleveland, Mississippi, and a member of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Cleveland.



Cadet Robert Harper

A member of Company D-2, he has been an active member of the Baptist Student Union at the academy, having served in 1967-68 as a member of the Executive Council. In addition, he has visited several of the S. B. C. churches in the New York area.

The Baptist Student Union at West Point is under the leadership of Rev. Coby E. Byrne of Highland Falls, New York.

The Protestant Sunday School is a long time ministry under the program of the

Cadet Chaplain. There are six superintendents and 165 teachers; all cadets, who are part of this program, which reaches over 700 children of the post personnel each year. While these superintendents and teachers represent cadets from all Protestant denominations, many of them are Baptist, including one of the departmental superintendents who is President of the B.S.U. for 1968.

Cadet Harper joins many well known graduates of the academy in participating in the Sunday school program. Among those best known are former President Dwight D. Eisenhower and General William C. Westmoreland, who served as general superintendent as a cadet.

SUMMER YOUTH RETREAT

Calvary, Meridian's summer youth retreat for the young people, intermediates, and Juniors will be held at the YMCA Camp at Port Gibson. Juniors will go to the camp August 5-7 and the young people and intermediates August 7-10.

A carefully planned Bible instruction with singings, services, preaching, and special dedication services will be held daily. Rev. W. Otis Seal is pastor.

Activities will include swimming, horseback riding, archery, canoeing, hiking.

"Youth Night Discussion Starter Kit"

NASHVILLE — "Youth Night Discussion Starter Kit" is a recording of two case studies for listening and discussion produced by Broadman Press, here.

The recording is designed to assist in conducting youth rallies and associational youth night meetings. It gives background material for a discussion and then raises several questions for participants to discuss.

One case study discussion starter, "A Youth in Rebellion," was prepared by D. P. Brooks, editor of young people uniform lesson courses, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"A Tale of Two Churches" is the second case study discussion starter, prepared by John R. Claypool, pastor of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

These releases are now available at Baptist and general book stores.

Lord of the far horizons. Give us the eyes to see Over the verge of the sundown The beauty that is to be. —Bliss Carman



God And Country Award

Tommy Creely, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Creely of Tupelo, is being presented his God and Country Award in Scouting by Rev. Richard Clement of West Jackson Street Church, Tupelo. This is the highest award given to Scouts by a church and Tommy earned the award following a full year's work. He is a member of Troop 9, Order of the Arrow and is a Life Scout. At left is Scoutmaster Raymond Merchant.



She Made The Guitar

SHOWN HANGING THE GUITAR set piece which she made for their presentation of the folk musical, "GOOD NEWS," is Kay Weathersby of Robinson Street Church, Jackson. Assisting her is Tommy Haralson, minister of education-youth, who directed the musical, presented to an over-flowing congregation. Rev. John G. McDonald is pastor.



Youth Delegates Get Copies Of 'Good News'

NEW YORK (EP) — Between 5,000 and 6,000 copies of Good News for Modern Man, the New Testament in Today's English Version, will be given to delegates attending the Baptist Youth World Conference, July 22 - 28, in Bern, Switzerland.

The complimentary copies are being provided by W. Maxey Jarman, Nashville businessman and vice-president of the American Bible Society.

A MESSAGE TO PARENTS

By Faydra Smith
Rt. 2, Brookhaven

What's wrong with young people today? Why do we have Hippies and Hell's Angels? Who do adults blame the whole young generation for the mistakes of a few?

Young people today have had everything handed to them on a silver platter. We've gotten everything we've asked for and a lot we haven't asked for. Parents, whether you realize it or not, we resent this. We don't appreciate what you're doing for us because we don't know what it's like to be without these material things.

Parents who have given their children things they didn't have while growing up have suddenly found that they've lost contact with their children. Why?

I'm asking you to give us love and understanding. I'm pleading with you not to make

life a "bed of roses" for us. I'm begging you to help us find the one thing we need most in our lives. Help us find Christ!

The Day Granny Bird Died

By Betty Jo Elliott
Riverside Church, Money
Friday—June 7, 1968

Today is the day my Granny Bird Died. I can't understand why I haven't cried. I loved her, I know that. This can't be the cause. And now in my soul, as I quietly pause, I feel she's been blessed far greater somehow. For there in God's presence I see Granny now.

She's not lying so still and sick like she's been. Nor is she in the wheelchair she used to ride in. But Granny is standing, and walking, you see. And not even limping on that old crooked knee. She walks up so humbly before God's great throne And bows and confesses her sins there alone.

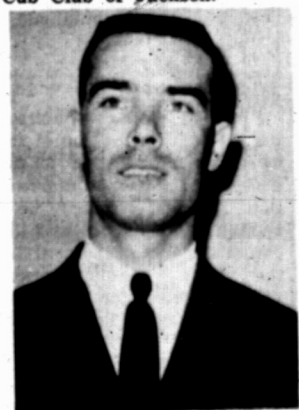
God grants her forgiveness! Yes, that much I know. For Granny gave Jesus her heart long ago. Now she's so happy—her and face in smiles— For she sees Papa Forbes after all those long miles That she's been since God called him away from her side. It's a beautiful picture—their arms open wide.

Together they'll share those wonders above And look down upon us—the ones that they love. And wait near the entrance to welcome me and you When the Master sees fit to let us join them too. Now I can cry—my face streams with tears! Thank God that we've had her for so many years. But to bring Granny back? I wouldn't, not me. Cause Granny's with Jesus—where someday I'll be.



White Bible Service

THE YOUNG WOMEN'S AUXILIARY of West End Church, West Point, presented a white Bible to Miss Johnette Fowler, bride-elect of Jim Ethridge of Meadville. Those participating are, left to right: Betty Uimer, Loretta Young, Mrs. C. S. Corneliuss, YWA Director, Miss Fowler, Rev. C. C. Corneliuss, Pastor, Marcia Middleton, Jeanette Wylie, and Mrs. Herbert Ingram, WMU President. This was the first such service at West End.



Youth Directors At Drew

James Young, left, has accepted the call of Drew Church as minister of music and youth. He is a senior at Delta State College. A native of Batesville, he is married to the former Mary Frances Ouzts of Augusta, Georgia. They are the parents of three daughters. Jo Ann Hardin is the summer youth director at Drew, she graduated from University of Mississippi and attended Southwestern Seminary. She teaches first grade in Memphis. Rev. Millard Bennett is pastor at Drew.



Pastor Presents Church Key To Son

The youth-led revival of Flora Church of June 23-28 brought about a unique experience for the church and for the pastor. Sunday night, June 23, Rev. James E. Walker, pastor, presented the key to the church to his son, Ronny, who had been elected youth pastor. The evangelist for the youth-led revival was Rev. Gordon Sansing, Jr., and the music was directed by Dennis Melstrup.



MARRIED FIFTY YEARS

Rev. and Mrs. Joe Canzoneri of Clinton recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. (They were married fifty years ago, on July 11, 1918.) On July 10, 1968, from 5 to 6:30 p. m., their children gave a reception in their honor at First Church, Clinton.

The Canzoners' children are Miss Antonina Canzoneri, foreign missionary nurse, now on furlough from Eku, Nigeria; Rev. Joe Canzoneri, Baptist preacher, and teacher of history at Terry High School, Terry; Dr. Robert (Bob) Canzoneri, Professor of

Creative Writing, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio; and Rev. George Canzoneri, Director of Religion, Sunland Mentally Retarded Center, Miami, Fla., former missionary to Brazil.

Rev. Joe Canzoneri was born in Sicily. Now retired, he served pastorates in Kentucky and Mississippi, and for a time was state evangelistic singer with the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Mrs. Canzoneri was the former Mabel Barnett. (She is a cousin of former Governor Ross Barnett.) Her father was the well-known Dr. A. M. Barnett, of Standing Pine.



State Pastors In Fort Worth

FORT WORTH, TEXAS — Participating in a pastors' conference here are, left to right, Frank Tribble, pastor of Russell Church, Russell, Miss.; David W. McCubbin, associate pastor of First Church, Meridian, Miss.; Dr. Robert E. Naylor; and Dr. Leon McBeth. They pose in front of Memorial Building, Southwestern Seminary, during the twelfth annual week of on-campus continuing theological study June 24-28. Dr. McBeth was faculty chairman of the study and Dr. Naylor is seminary president. The 142 pastors attending came from 22 states. Dr. Ralph Langley, pastor of Willow Meadows Church, Houston, was the inspirational speaker.

YOU CAN HELP US!

By Ralph Winders, Director, Department of Student Work

We want to make contact as early as possible with students entering college for the first time or transferring from one school to another. Information on freshmen and transfer students is not available to Directors of Baptist Student Work at all colleges, but parents, pastors, and students themselves can help us by filling in the blank below and mailing it to the Department of Student Work, Jackson, from which office it will be forwarded to the proper local director.

We shall be pleased if you add a note giving additional information, for it will help us to know the student better and plan our program according to student abilities and needs.

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Montana Reports

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church members are especially wonderful.

Gail Edwards (East Philadelphia Church, Philadelphia; writes from Bismark, North Dakota: Worked in Junior and Intermediate Departments during VBS. We had a very good Bible School with an average attendance of 60. I've learned that summer workers must be ready for anything at all times. We sang for a funeral.

Connie Ellis (First Church, West Point) writes from Deer Lodge, Montana: Orientation was at Camp Judson, Keystone, South Dakota. We really received a blessing in our classes and especially in our evening worship services. The first week in Deer Lodge we were in a revival effort and did religious surveys. The next week we had Bible School at Garrison, a small town 11 miles from here.

Judy Elene Grant (First Church, Poplarville) writes from Shelby, Montana: After Orientation, we had a revival meeting and VBS. I gave out handbills, played the piano, sang and gave testimonies. The hours are long but the work is very stimulating.

Larry Hendricks (First Church, Yazoo City; writes from Butte, Montana: I preached in Miles City and had 2 saved. Then went to Orientation. Had a VBS clinic; then toured Mount Rushmore. Am working with Juniors in Butte VBS; taking religious survey in nearby Boulder.

Amelda Johnson (Verona Church, Verona) writes from Sturgis, South Dakota: After Orientation, I came to Sturgis where I will be all summer. We are starting a Junior choir and Junior GA's. I'm working with Primaries in Sunday School and Intermediates in Training Union.

Judy Lewis (First Church, Morton) writes from Deer Lodge, Montana: First week we were in revival and did survey and general office work. Next, we had VBS at Garrison where I was principal and Primary superintendent. The work is slow. There are only a few dedicated Christians and the people are so indifferent to the Gospel.

Revival Dates

Willow Grove (Covington): July 28-Aug. 2; Rev. David F. Cranford, pastor, Southern Hills Church, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Alex Abercrombie, pastor.

Lula Church, Madison Asso.: July 29-Aug. 4 with dinner on ground Aug. 4; Rev. Ed Bryon, Clinton, evangelist; Rev. Tommy Tackett, pastor; services 7:30 p.m.

Oakdale, Brandon: July 29-Aug. 2; Bill Duncan, pastor, First, Brandon, evangelist; E. C. Harpe, song leader; services 8:15 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Friendship (Jones): July 28-August 2; Rev. Harold Ishee, Plainway, Laurel, evangelist; Douglas Lawson, music director; Mrs. Douglas Lawson, pianist; dinner on grounds Sunday, 28th; no afternoon service Sunday, but regular evening service; Monday-Friday at 7:30 p. m.; Rev. W. N. Johnson, pastor.

Cato (Rankin): July 28-August 4; Rev. H. T. Curbow, evangelist; Larry Glass, music director; Rev. Ken Pickens, pastor; Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; weekday at 7:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. (Special services on opening Sunday, for Miss E. M.ogene Harris, missionary to Nigeria, to be held from 2 to 3 p. m., with fellowship from 3 to 4:30.)

Second, Indianola: July 28-August 4; Ed Vallowe, full-time evangelist from Forrest Park, Ga., preaching; Harold Smith, minister of music at Second Church, singer; Ed Sudduth, pianist for James D. Watson Evangelistic Association, pianist; Rev. Billy Smith, pastor; services at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p.m. (After each night service there will be a special study on the book of Revelation.)

Freemy (Leake): July 28-August 2; Rev. James E. Walker, pastor, Flora, evangelist; Tony Kinton, music director; services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.; Rev. Jerry Bishop, pastor.

Sue Carol Moore (West Jackson Church, Jackson) writes from Shelby, Montana: After Orientation, we were in VBS in Shelby. Had 87 enrolled and had wonderful attendance. People are grand and were a great help when we were homesick.

Geri Lea Sullivan (Broadmoor Church, Jackson; writes from Cheyenne, Wyoming: VBS at North Cheyenne Baptist Church; census of North Cheyenne; and church office work. This church is really in need of prayers because they are in the midst of trying to get the backing for a loan for a new addition.

Carlton D. Tanton (First Church, Satsuma, Alabama) writes from Poplar, Montana: We had VBS at Poplar with an enrollment (mostly Indians) of 62 with 30 or more every day.

Linda Tyne (Spring Hill Church, Lumberton) writes from Casper, Wyoming: After first four days of Orientation at Camp Judson, South Dakota, we had VBS at Boyd Avenue Church in Casper from 9:30 to 3:00. My Partner and I both worked with Primaries. It was the first time I had ever worked in an all-day Bible School but it was enjoyable and worked out well.

Becky Webb (First Church, Brandon) and Barbara Rasberry (Kirkwood Church, Bozeman, Montana) write from Baker, Montana: We took a survey of Marmarth, North Dakota, and there is only one church service so we really feel that it is a good prospect for a mission. We had one week VBS with an attendance of 23. We began our VBS in Baker with 36 enrolled. Each night we have teen time.

WORLD MISSION RALLY

Rev. Jerry St. John, an associate in the Cooperative Missions Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board working with the deaf people of our state, is just one of the many personalities who will take part on the program of the Brotherhood's third annual World Missions Rally. The rally will be held September 14-15 at Camp Garaywa, Clinton.

All men are urged to attend the rally. Come and bring several people with you.



Rev. Jerry St. John

Register by sending name and address to the Brotherhood Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson 39205.

Breakfast	\$.85
Lunch	1.25
Supper	1.25
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Mrs. VanOsdol Dies In Pascagoula

Mrs. J. L. VanOsdol, age 75, went to be with the Lord at 11:05 p. m., July 4, at the Singing River Hospital, Pascagoula.

Mrs. VanOsdol had been an active member of the First Baptist Church of Pascagoula for the past 37 years and was the mother of two foreign missionaries—Mrs. Zelma Foster, now serving with her husband, James, in the Philippine Islands, and Mrs. Joyce Clarke who served with her husband, James, in Africa before her death in 1957.

Other survivors are Mrs. Johnnie K. K. K., whose husband, Paul, is associate pastor of First Church, Pascagoula; and Mrs. Sarah Cameron whose husband, Dan, is pastor of First Church, Pampa, Texas; one sister, Mrs. J. J. Wedgeworth of Pascagoula; ten grandchildren; and one great granddaughter.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. at First Church, Pascagoula, on July 7, with the pastor, Rev. Clark McMurray, officiating.

In addition to mission experiences and testimony, Southern Baptist boys attending this year's Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress, Aug. 13-15, in Oklahoma City, will hear testimony from such famous men as Tommy Lester, star of television's "Green Acres" show.



1st, Bay St. Louis, Breaks Ground for New Addition

Formal ground breaking ceremonies for a new two-story Sunday school addition were held at First Church, Bay St. Louis, at 7:00 P.M. June 5. First spade of sod was turned by Glendal Salters (front row, third from right), Chairman of the Building Committee, assisted by M. L. Hill (front row, second from right), Chairman of the Finance Committee. The message was delivered by Rev. John T. Dearing, pastor, and dedicatory prayer was given by W. L. Goodrich, Superintendent of Sunday School (front row, second from left). The new addition will provide five departments and replace an out-dated, overcrowded children's building. Foundation construction began in the last week of June. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy by the first of the new year.

Names In The News

Rev. and Mrs. Dewey E. Meritt, missionaries to Nigeria, arrived in the States on June 19 for furlough. He will be visiting professor of missions at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. (their address: 5221 N. Garfield, Kansas City, Mo., 64118). He is a native of Hattiesburg, Miss.; she, the former Elizabeth Cooper, was born in Louisville, Ky., and lived in several states during childhood.

Rev. Peyton M. Moore, missionary to Vietnam, has returned to the States for furlough, joining Mrs. Moore and their three children, who came in February. (Their address is 4626 Frazier, Fort Worth, Tex., 76115.) Mr. Moore is a

native of Meridian, Miss.; Mrs. Moore is the former Celia Torres, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Cheryl Watts, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John D. W. Watts, missionaries to Switzerland, married William E. Clayton, of Meridian, Miss., on July 20 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Bill Dyal, director of the Peace Corps in Colombia, South America, has received the Francisco de Paul Santander Gold Medal from Colombian President Carlos Lleras Restrepo. The medal was awarded for civic service in the field of education. Before joining the Peace Corps administration, Dyal was Director of Organization for the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission.

Margaret Laurine Fairburn of Tylertown, has been selected to appear in the 1968 edition of Community Leaders of America. Other recipients of this honor include Governors, United States Senators, and Congressmen of the various states. The publication includes many citizens such as educators, leading businessmen, civic and political leaders, farmers, ministers, leading sports figures, and many other individuals who, because of past achievements and service are recognized as community leaders of America.

Rev. and Mrs. Herman P. Hayes, missionaries, left Vietnam on June 8 to come to the States for furlough (address: 728 Shaver St., Bossier City, La., 71010). He was born in Houghton, La., and moved to Bossier City as a teenager; she is the former Dottie Primeaux, of Cameron, La. He was pastor of South McComb Baptist Church, McComb, Miss., at the time of their appointment by the Foreign Mission Board in 1959.

Brenda Sullivan, missionary journeyman, will work in the

press room during the Baptist Youth World Congress in Berne, Switzerland, July 22-28, and then return to the States. She has been a secretary at the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon - Zurich, Switzerland, for two years. (She may be addressed at 1043 Treadwell, Memphis, Tenn., 38104.) A native of Pontotoc, Miss., she graduated from Mississippi College in 1966.

Robert Holmes, missionary journeyman to Argentina, was scheduled to return to the States on June 21 after two years of youth work at the International Baptist Church, Buenos Aires (address: 3939 Glenwood Ave., Apt. 318, Raleigh, N. C., 27609). Born in Tylertown, Miss., he has also lived in Darban, Heidelberg, and Jackson, Miss. He graduated from Mississippi College in 1966.

Meaningful mission experiences for Southern Baptist boys are the chief goals of the Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress, Aug. 13-15, in Oklahoma City.

Children's Village Reunion August 10

Wheeler C. Cathey, President of the Alumni Association of Baptist Children's Village, calls attention to the next annual reunion to be held at the VILLAGE on Flag Chapel Road, Jackson, Saturday, August 10.

"The alumni and friends never cease to be indebted to Superintendent and Mrs. Paul Nunnery, staff, and girls and boys for doing everything possible to make the day a success," he states.

"In 1968 we are featuring the years from the end of the Carter administration to the end of the Mize administration. This will primarily be a recital of the history and accomplishments of the years of the Mize administration, years of transition from the old to modern concepts of child care.

"Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Goebel Mize, in retirement, reside at 5474 Pine Lane Drive, Jackson, Mississippi, 39211. Mr. Mize serves as our Public Relations Director. He and Mrs. Mize have been enthusiastic supporters of the reunions from the start. We owe much to the boys and girls of this era. They are the ones who led in organizing the alumni and promoting the first reunions. If you are one of their girls or boys you will want to be present to greet them at the next reunion, August 10, 1968, the SECOND SATURDAY IN AUGUST."

Susan Walters - - -

(Continued from page 5) ments, Susan has been invited to play the Mozart Concerto in A Major, K. 488 with the Charlotte Symphony in their children's concerts next season.

Susan is a scholarship student at the Spartanburg Day School and studies piano at Converse College and Chattanooga, New York. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Justin Walters, and sister, LaWanda, live in Forest City, N. C., where Mr. Walters is minister of music and Mrs. Walters organist of the First Baptist Church.

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These students, serving under the auspices of the Church Music Department, are assisting churches this summer in schools of music, Vacation Bible Schools and revival meetings. We want to take this means of introducing them to you. Jerrell Rogers, a recent graduate of Mississippi College in Church Hill, is coordinator of this summer program. Churches should begin making plans to utilize a summer workers in 1969. Contact the Church Music Department for details.

The Sunday School Lesson

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON—LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM—

Daniel Prays For His People

By Clifton J. Allen
Daniel 9:1-23

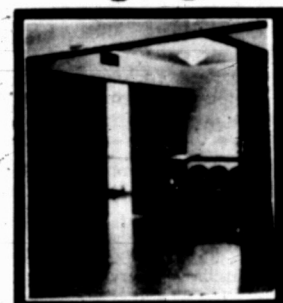
Daniel was known as a man of prayer. A study of his prayer for his people will give us a clearer understanding of the experience of the Hebrews during the Exile. Daniel shared a sense of corporate guilt with his people. His prayer was a confession of sin, an affirmation of God's righteousness, and a penitent plea for mercy and forgiveness. The date and authorship of the book of Daniel cannot be definitely established. It seems to draw on the experience of Daniel during the captivity to speak to the Hebrews at a much later time in their history and inspire them to courage and fidelity and, above



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all, to confident faith in the overruling sovereignty of God. The central truth of the book is: God's kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him." A review of the experiences of Daniel and of the related historical events recorded in chapters 1-6 will be helpful background study for this lesson.

The Lesson Explained Confession of Sin Verses 3-6

The time to which Daniel refers in his prayer was 539 B.C. Following the conquest of Babylon by the Persians, Darius reigned probably two years until the arrival of Cyrus. Daniel shared with his people the hope of God's liberation from captivity. The note of confession runs throughout the entire prayer. The spirit of Daniel was one of genuine penitence and humility as he sought the Lord with fasting and sackcloth and ashes. Daniel knew that the captivity was God's judgment on a faithless and stubborn and rebellious nation. He approached God with recognition of God's might and majesty, his terrible wrath against wickedness, his faithfulness to his covenant promise, and his steadfast love toward his rebellious people. On this basis, Daniel dared to confess their sins with hope of forgiveness. He confessed their wrongdoings, their wicked deeds, their rebellious spirit, their transgression of God's commandments and ordinances, and their stubborn refusal to listen to God's prophets who had spoken God's message so clearly to the people of Judah before the captivity.

Exaltation of God

We must study verses 7-16 as an important part of Daniel's prayer. Daniel felt deeply the immeasurable contrast between the righteousness of the Lord and the waywardness of his people. They were confused because of their shame and their perversity. They were indifferent to their covenant responsibility. They persisted in disobedience. God's righteous judgments upon his people, generation after generation, failed to produce piety and fidelity on the part of his people. But Daniel emphasized the fact that God is righteous in all that he does, whether in the expression of righteous wrath in judgment or tender mercy in forgiveness. Finally, God had been forced to let Jerusalem come to destruction and his people come to the affliction of captivity because they would not hearken to his warnings and fulfill their covenant obligation. God's name had been made a reproach among the pagans because his people refused to obey and worship him.

Supplication For Mercy Verses 17-19

With the burden of the guilt of his people heavy upon his heart, Daniel poured out his prayer, pleading with God to cause his face to shine upon his desolate sanctuary. Daniel could pray only on the basis of God's great mercies and righteousness, on the basis of God's own glory. Therefore, he pleaded for God to be merciful for his own sake and for his own name. Thus Daniel's

By Bill Duncan
James 1:1-15

The book of James will be the object of our study for the next few weeks. This book is a practical study of Christianity. Many have thought it was a sermon written down and issued to the church at large so that all men could possess it and benefit from it. In the early years, the letter had difficulty being accepted as Scripture and even today it is considered by some with reserve. However, it is not one of the lesser books of the New Testament. Our study of it should lead us to a thankful spirit for the preserving of our edification and inspiration.

James, like Jesus, never suggests that the Christians will have an easy time serving the Lord. In the trials that will come, the ones under trial and their friends will be tested. The theme seems to be that we are to prove our faith by our works.

The Meaning of Trials

The Christians are warned. They will come into "divers temptations." These are not seductions into sin, but tests to strengthen and purify us for more effective use. A good example is sorrow. When we stand in the strength of the Lord, we are stronger persons. The aim of testing is to purge us of all impurity.

There are three things that testing does for a man: (1) It makes him perfect. That is,

prayer was on a light level of selfishness. He prayed with a sense of urgency, lest the people called by God's name, in their state of reproach and affliction, should reflect unfavorably on the honor and majesty of God.

Truths to Remember

Prayer is grounded on the character of God. — We pray to God because of who God is, because of what he is like. God is the Holy One, infinite in majesty and glory. It is therefore right to praise and adore him. God is omnipotent. It is right to ask God to do things which God alone can do.

A revival of intercessory prayer can change our nation's life. — The potential of a mighty prayer awakening ought not to be considered visionary or unrealistic. A mighty moving of God upon the entire life of our nation could happen. We would have to be willing for God to take the greed and covetousness out of our lives, and that might mean giving up a luxury standard of living. We would have to be willing for him to establish justice. That would call for our willingness to give up prejudice and injustice toward persons of other races and classes and willingness to share in greater degree the resources and blessings that God gives us. God's mighty power changing our nation's life would require higher moral standards in sex, in business, in politics, in government, and in trades and professions.

The honor of the Lord is the compelling motive for intercession. — Christians are the people of God. They bear the name of Christ. God has identified with them through the redemption of his Son, and he has given his Spirit to them. Therefore, the honor of the Lord is related to his people.

What higher motive could compel them and guide them in intercessory prayer? Let Christians pray for blessing upon the churches, for the salvation of the lost, for the cause of social justice, for higher standards of civic righteousness, and for peace in the world—all for the honor of the Lord. Let them plead for God's face to shine upon the sanctuary of worship for his own glory. Let them pray for a revival of repentance and a mighty turning to God that the name of Christ the Lord may be revered in all the earth. Let them pray that the kingdom of God will come, that he may rule in human hearts, and that he may receive the worship and adoration and service of the redeemed forever.

we are made fit for the task in life that is meant for us to do. (2) It makes him complete. Bit by bit this unanswering constancy removes the weaknesses and imperfections from a man's character. (3) It makes him deficient in nothing. He will not give up in the struggle for victory or a standard.

The proper use of these tests in life is the wisdom that only God can give. One may go through the experience and still not know how to use it. But God will give him generously that practical knowledge if one will only ask for it. In order to ask in the proper manner, he must not have a double standard or doubting spirit. The quality of belief will help him to receive

The experiences of testing are helpful and hard. They help us to be better people. They are hard because they are of life. The harder the training, the better we are equipped to serve.

We Get What We Need

As Mayor put it, "As the despised poor learns self-respect, so the proud rich learns self-abasement." (1) "Christianity brings to the poor man a sense of his own value." Every person is dear to God so we should not look down upon others or ourselves. No one is useless to God. (2) Christianity brings to the rich a new sense of self-abasement. Riches so often bring a sense of false security. Life is uncertain, and often riches are not able to secure life. Men learn from Jesus to depend upon God.

The crown of life speaks of the highest kind of life. This life is characterized by joy and the presence of Jesus Christ. This reward of life is present now and can be lived now in this life as well as hereafter. This life is promised on the condition that we love him.

We are responsible for what we get. James is trying to say that man is not to put the blame on God when he sins. To James, that which is responsible for sin is man's own evil desire. If the desire is nourished and encouraged long enough, there will be the inevitable consequence of action. Desire in the heart in the end begets sin in the action. All men are born with desires that can be wrong, but also when we beget our wills we can overcome our evil desires. The gift of grace can help us keep ourselves clean and make ourselves clean by forgiveness.



Rev. L. W. Frederick

PECAN GROVE CALLS PASTOR

Rev. L. W. Frederick of Pontotoc has been called as pastor of Pecan Grove Church (Jones Association), Route 1, Ellisville. He assumed his new duties July 7.

Mr. Frederick is a native of Lee County. During his ministry in Pontotoc County, he has pastored several churches, his last pastorate being the Cairo Church, Ecu. Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Frederick have two children, Mrs. Wayne Morgan of Nettleton, and Rev. Wayne Frederick, pastor of Trinity Church, Laurel.

Royal Ambassadors, members of the boys' missionary organization in Southern Baptist churches, have a special opportunity for mission experiences, fellowship, and fun this August. That opportunity is the Fourth National Royal Ambassador Congress, Aug. 13-15, Oklahoma City.

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Hill



Fortenberry



Renfro



Davis



Sanders

Southwestern Grads From Mississippi

Five from Mississippi received degrees from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., during the annual summer commencement exercises July 19 at 10 a.m. in Truett Auditorium. They were: Eldred L. Hill, formerly of Greenville, diploma of Theology; Archie W. Fortenberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fortenberry of Brookhaven, master of religious education degree; Fred H. Renfro, son of J. P. Renfro of Jackson, bachelor of divinity; Robert Wayne Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sanders of Starkville, bachelor of divinity degree; Jimmy Daniel Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis of Canton, master of divinity degree.



Suggested Planning Calendar 1968-69

- SEPTEMBER 1968
10 Crusade of the Americas Rally—Jackson, Woodland Hills
15-19 Chickasaw Pastor Led Enlargement Campaign
16-18 Leflore Central Training School—Greenwood, First
22-26 Sunday School Leadership Preparation Work in the Churches
- OCTOBER 1968
7-8 Washington Central Training School—Greenville, Calvary
14-15 State Elementary Conference—Jackson, Woodland Hills
19-23 Wyoming Sunday School Enlargement Campaign
- NOVEMBER 1968
4-6 Bolivar Central Training School—Cleveland, First
11-14 Mississippi Baptist Convention
- DECEMBER 1968
8 Foreign Missions Day in Sunday School
- JANUARY 1969
6-10 January Bible Study
13-14 Area General Officers Institute (Ala.-La.-Miss.) Jackson, Colonial Heights
- FEBRUARY 1969
3-5 Evangelistic Conference—Gulfshore
8-13 Lauderdale Director—Led Enlargement Campaign
17-18 State Vacation Bible School Clinic—Jackson, Daniel Memorial
20-22 Religious Education Association—Biloxi
24-25 Adult Outreach Clinic—Jackson, Woodland Hills
27-28 Adult Outreach Clinic—Tupelo, Harrisburg
- MARCH 1969
9 Home Missions Day in Sunday School
10-11 Crusade Bible Teaching Conference—Tupelo, Calvary
17-18 Crusade Bible Teaching Conference—Greenwood, First
- APRIL 1969
3 Church Building Conference—Hattiesburg, Temple
14-15 Crusade Bible Teaching Conference—Jackson, Ridgcrest
21-22 Crusade Bible Teaching Conference—Gulfport, First
28-29 Crusade Bible Teaching Conference—Hattiesburg, First
- MAY 1969
3 Church Building Conference—Tupelo, First
19-23 Area Fellowship Bible Class Meetings
27 Educational Directors Dialogue—Jackson
29 Superintendents of Missions Dialogue—Jackson
- JUNE 1969
16-18 Kindergarten and Day Care Workshop—Gulfshore
19-25 Sunday School Leadership Conference—Glorieta
22-25 First Sunday School Leadership Conference—Gulfshore
26-28 Second Sunday School Leadership Conference—Glorieta
26-27 Sunday School Leadership Conference—Glorieta
- JULY 1969
3-9 Sunday School Leadership Conference—Glorieta
24-30 Sunday School Leadership Conference—Ridgcrest
- SEPTEMBER 1969
31-Aug. 6 Sunday School Leadership Conference—Ridgcrest
- OCTOBER 1969
22-26 Sunday School Leadership Preparation Week in Churches
29-30 Children's Workers Institute—Kosciusko, First
- NOVEMBER 1969
2-3 Children's Workers Institute—Hattiesburg, Main Street
- DECEMBER 1969
7 Foreign Missions Day in Sunday School



WHITE CROSS 1968

This year we have the opportunity of helping two of our Southern Baptist hospitals with their linen needs. One is on a home mission field, the other overseas.

KEDIRI, INDONESIA — When this hospital was opened we supplied their original White Cross needs. Now they have additional needs — as missionary nurse Ruth Ford wrote us: "Honestly our needs increase rather than decrease. We have more beds, more nurses for uniforms, more patients, more clinics — in fact, more everything except time and equipment. Anything in cloth is a need and is welcome."

BALBOA, CANAL ZONE — Dr. Dan Gruver, missionary doctor in Panama, writes concerning work there. "The past several months have been very exciting for me here. We are doing some work on the hospital to improve it and now it looks like we are going to get a nurse. The hospital has stayed over full all the time, with between 20 and 30 patients, some of them seriously ill."

Many people will prefer to bring the supplies to Camp Garaywa in August during WMU Camp. All supplies must be in September 1 to be included in the shipment.

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Send supplies to:

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Most of the items needed can be purchased wholesale, so one of the big items is for cash. All societies and youth organizations will want to have a part.

We suggest the following plan be used in gathering the items:

- District 1—Single Size Bed Sheets
Wash Cloths
District 2—Bath Towels
Receiving Blankets
District 3—Single Size Bed Sheets
District 4—Wash Cloths
District 5—Receiving Blankets
District 6,7,8—Single Bed Sheets
District 9—Pillow Cases & Bath Cloths
District 10,11—Single Size Bed Sheets & Bias Tape—Any Color



Stewardship Emphasis At Mt. Moriah

March was used for Stewardship Emphasis by the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Bruce. Rev. Hubert McCullar, pastor, reports that the Demonstration Day offering was \$259.93 compared with an average weekly offering of \$130.00. The Sunday following Demonstration Day the offering again was more than \$100.00 above the offerings for the past year.

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DEVOTIONAL

The Will To Win

By Robert L. Sheffield, South Side, Meridian

Given his choice, almost any coach of an athletic team will choose a boy with intense desire and an undeveloped talent over a boy that has natural talent, but little or no desire. These men recognize that there must be a "will to win" before there can be victory in an athletic contest. The history of sports is filled with the success stories of such men.

This is also true in the realm of the spiritual life. Paul was trying to point this out in 1 Cor. 9:24-27 as he likened our lives to a race. He said that only one receives the prize in a race and it is true in life only those who, "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus," will receive God's prize.

This means we must strive strenuously. To "keep our bodies and bring them under subjection" requires the greatest of effort. It involves change and none of us changes easily. Everything we have must be put into the effort or we will fail. No one has ever received a spiritual blessing while bored and indifferent. There must be a grasping of the exciting nature of living. We must understand that when Paul says we must be temperate, he is talking about good things. There is no such thing as being moderately evil. There must be a total abstinence from anything that detracts from or hinders our spiritual lives.

There must also be a purposeful striving. There are too many today who waste their energy in being like the man who jumped on his horse and rode off in all directions. We must have our face set toward the one goal even as Jesus set his face to go toward Jerusalem. We will fasten our will upon God's will and move as He directs us. To do this we must let the love of God motivate our hearts. All that we strive to do shall be as a "sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal" unless we move "as directed by God's pure love. Just being businesslike and doing Church work is not enough to sustain us without the love of Christ working through us.

In addition, this striving must be one that is trusting. We have to trust that the prize of the Lord is worth the effort. We sometimes act as if what God has for us is not too important, but we forget that it is an incorruptible crown reserved for us by God. Anything that we strive for here is but dust and filled with corruption and will pass away. We ought always to remember that we are going to God and then live like it.

May God help us to have the "will to win" for the ongoing of Christ's Kingdom here on this earth.

Brotherhood Sponsors Erection Of Tangipahoa Recreation Building

A new recreation building is being built at the Tangipahoa Church, Route 2, Summit. The \$60,000 structure, a project of the church's Brotherhood, is being constructed by the William Wicker construction crew.

The facility measures 28 feet by 80 feet and will include rest rooms, storage space, piano, fire place, barbecue pit, and kitchen facilities. It will be a half-wall, half-screen type structure on three sides. This will provide the utmost in comfort during the summer months.

It will be used for all types of activities, some of which are: youth socials, youth recreation, children's parties, banquets, meetings, dinner on the ground, special church services, and family reunions.

Hubert Carruth is the Brotherhood president and Virgil Bales is project treasurer. Members of the building committee include: Pinky Matthews, C. O. Stegall, Jr., and William Wicker. Rev. Larry W. Fields is pastor.

REVIVAL DATES



Father-Sons Revival At Tangipahoa

Tangipahoa, near Summit: July 28-August 2; Rev. M. H. Fields, above center, pastor of First Church, Ferriday, La., and First Vice-President of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, evangelist; George Fields, above right, Mississippi College senior, former music director at Richland, Florence, and a youth leader in Fellowship of Christian Athletes, in charge of music; Rev. Larry W. Fields, above left, Tangipahoa pastor. (The evangelist is the pastor's father, and the song leader is the pastor's brother.) Sunday services on July 28 at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., with dinner on the ground; weekday services at 9:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Carson Ridge (Attala): July 28 - August 2; Rev. Lester Gardner, Laurel, evangelist; Harland Reynolds, Ethel, singer; Rev. Walter Greenwood, pastor; services 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Damascus, Franklin: July 21-26; Dr. Jewel Kyzar, Bude, evangelist; Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Nobles, in charge of music; Rev. W. C. Sandiford, pastor.

Roxie (Franklin): July 28-August 2; Rev. Tom Dunlap, pastor, First Church, Natchez, evangelist; Raleigh McGough, minister of music with Edgewater Church, New Orleans, La., singer; morning services at 10:30; evening services at 7:45; Rev. Horace Carpenter, pastor.

Strong Hope (Copolah): August 4 - 9; Sunday morning services at regular hour, dinner served on the ground, followed by preaching service in afternoon; no night service Sunday; night services Monday - Friday only; Dr. A. Lawrence Clegg, (pictured), Ponchatoula, Louisiana, evangelist; Rev. Perry Culver, pastor.

Double Springs (Chestnut Log) Church, Oktibbeha County: July 28 - August 2; Rev. Jimmy Vance, pastor of Calvary, Starkville, evangelist; Scott Shaws, music director at Calvary, Starkville, singer; Mrs. Lloyd Dewberry, Maben, pianist; preaching services at 10:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.; song service, 7:30 p.m.; Rev. W. O. Presson, pastor.

Poplar Springs (Copolah): July 28 - August 2; Rev. Wilson Murray, Sardis Church, evangelist; morning and evening services on Sunday; night services only during week, at 8 p.m.; Rev. Guy Little, pastor.

Pine Grove (Simpson): August 4-9; Rev. John G. McDonald, pastor, Robinson St., Jackson, evangelist; Billy H. Thames, minister of music, First, Raleigh, singer; Jane Ellen Thames, pianist; Rev. Billy R. Thomas, pastor; dinner on ground and homecoming August 4, including an afternoon service; weekday services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Forkland Church, (Washington): August 4-11, Rev. Doug Westmoreland, Jackson, Tennessee, evangelist; Rev. Robert Jackson, Leland, song leader; services 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays; 7:45 p.m. Monday through Saturday; Rev. Louis Carson, pastor.

Benton Church: July 28-August 2; 10:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Johnnie L. Brigrman, Tylertown, evangelist; Rev. L. C. Lord, Pastor, Melrose Church, Yazoo County, singer; Rev. Harry P. Jones, pastor.

Looxahoma (Tate): July 28-August 4; Rev. Hubert McCullar, Looxahoma, Senatobia, evangelist; Rev. Jimmy Houston, pastor; six professions of faith.



Kolbs Coming Home On Furlough

RECIFE, PERNAMBUCO, BRAZIL — Dr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Kolb, Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil, will leave here this month for a year's furlough in the States. The Kolbs are shown discussing future plans with Dr. David Mein, president of the North Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary, where the Kolbs teach. Dr. Kolb, a native of New Harmony community near New Albany, is a graduate of New Harmony High School, Sunflower Junior College in Moorhead, Mississippi College, and Southern Seminary, where he received the Doctor of Theology degree. Mrs. Kolb is a Georgian. Before moving to Recife in 1966, the Kolbs and their four children served in Corrente, Piaui, one of Southern Baptists' most remote mission stations in Brazil. They plan to spend their furlough in Dublin, Georgia, where they may be addressed at 101 Coney Street.

REVIVAL RESULTS

Sarah (Tate): June 30-July 5; Rev. Hubert McCullar, Looxahoma, Senatobia, evangelist; Rev. Jimmy Houston, pastor; six professions of faith.

Utica Church: July 7 - 14; Rev. Walter Burrell, full time evangelist from Georgia; one by Statement; seven by profession of faith; many rededications; Rev. John Ed Snell, pastor.

banquets, meetings, dinner on the ground, special church services, and family reunions. Hubert Carruth is the Brotherhood president and Virgil Bales is project treasurer. Members of the building committee include: Pinky Matthews, C. O. Stegall, Jr., and William Wicker. Rev. Larry W. Fields is pastor.

Churches In The News

Mt. Pleasant Church, Newton County, held Homecoming on July 21, with Rev. L. G. Cannon of Memphis, who was ordained at Mt. Pleasant, as guest speaker. The oldest church in Newton County, Mt. Pleasant was observing its 138th birthday. Revival services are being held this week, with Rev. Bobby Ferguson of Hickory preaching. Lonnie S. Robinson, church music director, is leading the singing, with Miss Ferguson at the piano. Rev. Edsel Keen is the pastor.

Temple Church, Jackson, entertained 39 choir members and prospects at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Shurden, a short time ago. The evening's fun included barbecuing in the backyard, playing games, and hearing Jerry Norman, the minister of music, give a talk on choir improvement and enlistment of new choir members. Later, watermelons were served. Rev. Howard Scarborough is the Temple pastor. Mrs. Shurden, the hostess, is church pianist.



FELLOWSHIP BURNS NOTE

Fellowship Church, Lauderdale County, recently held a note burning service, signifying that building indebtedness was paid in full.

Following dinner on the grounds, the special afternoon service marked the retirement of the debt, which was paid off in half the time of the note's life. The church authorized a committee to begin planning for a new educational building.

Left to right, above, are: Rev. Jerry F. Zgarba, pastor; Tommy Blizard, Chairman of Building Committee; Jackie Ethridge, Chairman of Finance Committee; Rev. Harold Harris, First Church, Scooba, guest speaker; Jake Smith, Chairman of Deacons; Mrs. Lois Kinard, treasurer and church clerk; Rev. Leon Young, Superintendent of Missions, Lauderdale County, guest speaker.

Briar Hill (Rankin): July 28 - August 2; Dr. Thomas J. Delaughter (pictured), former Mississippi pastor, now professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at New Orleans Seminary, evangelist; Miss Jacqueline Polk, church music director, singer; Rev. W. R. Lowery, pastor; weekday services at 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday worship services at 11 and 7:15, with dinner on the grounds.

Dry Creek (Simpson): July 28 - August 2; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Quinton Floyd, evangelist; Rev. Wardell Kennedy, pastor.

Big Creek (Wayne): August 11-16; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Terry Tillman, pastor of Evergreen, Wayne County, evangelist.

Bethlehem Church, Laurel: July 28 - August 4; Homecoming service on Sunday, July 28, with lunch served followed with a special worship in songs beginning at 1:30 p.m.; Weekly services: Morning 10:00 a.m. Monday through Friday; evening 7:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday; Rev. Hueston Adkins, pastor, (pictured) will bring the messages through Friday night; Special youth services on Saturday night and Sunday August 3, 4; Rev. Tommy Winders, youth evangelist, will bring these messages; Dwayne Chapman, Interim minister of music will lead the singing. (Rev. Adkins, with his wife the former Amie Hammons, and their 3 sons, Landry, Tullios, and Bradford, moved on the field on April of this year. He is a native of Jasper County, attended Jones Junior College, University of Southern Mississippi and received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Mississippi College. He graduated with Master of Theology Degree from New Orleans Seminary in May of 1968. Before Bethlehem, Adkins served as pastor of Sylvaena Church, Smith Association for 5 1/2 years.

Calvary (Lamar): July 28-August 4; Rev. Willie Wilms, Winnfield, La., evangelist; Monroe McManus, Purvis, song leader.

McClellan Road Church, Biloxi: August 4-9; Rev. Athens McNeil, pastor of Eastlawn Church, Pascagoula, revival speaker; services 7:30 nightly; Sunday August 4, Homecoming services will be observed, with dinner on the ground; Irvin Fayard, music director; Rev. Burl E. Cooley, pastor.

Good Hope Church, Winston: July 28 - August 2; Rev. Clarence Mayo, pastor, Ingomar Church, Union County, evangelist; Jerry Morgan, music and youth director, First, Okolona, in charge of the music; services daily (except Sunday) at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. E. S. Hall, pastor.

Evansville, Route 1, Coldwater: July 28 - August 2; Rev. David Pratt, pastor, First, Lexington, evangelist; Wilbur (Buddy) Kirkland, music director, Como Church, in charge of music; beginning Sunday evening services will be at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.; Rev. Wm. F. Garner, pastor.

Shady Grove Church (Lincoln): July 28 - August 2; Rev. Joseph L. Small, pastor of Sunrise Church, Hattiesburg, evangelist; Rev. Leon Champion, pastor; R. P. Guy, music leader; services: Sunday 11 a.m., afternoon 1:30 (dinner will be served at the church) and no night services; weekdays 7:30 p.m.

Walnut Grove: July 28 - August 2; services 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Rev. Mack Jones, Highland Church, Crystal Springs, evangelist; Rev. Joe Hudson, pastor.

Hickory Church, Hickory: July 28 - August 2; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekdays, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Arnold F. Nelson, field secretary for Louisiana Baptists from Mansfield, La., evangelist; Miss Carolyn Sadler, music director of Hickory Church, singer; Mrs. Jack Williams, Hickory, organist; Mrs. Troy Brand, Jr. Hickory, pianist; Rev. H. L. Davis, pastor.

Union Hall Church: August 4-9; 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. P. A. (Red) Michel, pastor, First, Corinth, evangelist; Rev. Charles Davis, pastor, Tinsley, singer; Mrs. Ray Rushing, pianist; Rev. Leroy Tubbs, pastor.

Unity Church Union Ass'n: July 28 - August 2; Homecoming services on Sunday at 11 a.m. followed by dinner on the grounds; afternoon services will follow, with no night services Sunday; night services Monday - Friday only at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. James Harvey, evangelist, from Calhoun County; Rev. Kermit Grammer, pastor.

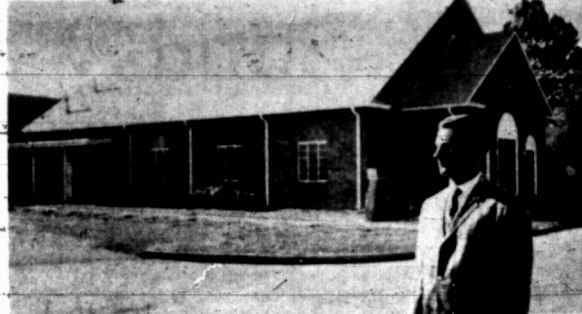
Sulphur Springs Church, Newton: July 21-26; Rev. Terry K. Irby, pastor at Bethany Church, Drew, evangelist; Don GoMillion, music director; Rev. John R. Mercer, pastor.

Cedar Bluff: July 21-26; Rev. Jimmy Horton of Adaton Church, evangelist; Rev. Benny Thompson, pastor.

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Second Grows In Stewardship

SECOND CHURCH, INDIANOLA, used GROWTH IN CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP during the month of February. The offering to date this year has totaled \$21,023.23 in comparison with an offering of \$13,915.92 for the same period last year. Rev. Billy Smith, pastor, states, "If we keep up our present giving pattern, we will go over our budget this year, which our church missed last year by \$8,000.00." Rev. Smith continues, "We reached our highest goals in the history of the church this church year in giving over our \$1,000.00 goal to Lottie Moon and our \$750.00 goal to Annie Armstrong. This mission emphasis came, I feel, as we had used our Stewardship emphasis. I know God will honor the church who honors His word, and God is blessing here, because our people are responding to Christian Stewardship. Also we have had 37 by profession of faith and 38 by letter since October. We believe this is only a first step for our church, as we plan to use this GROWTH IN CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP each year."

Off The Record

A Chinese scholar was lecturing when all the lights in the room went out. He asked people in the audience to raise their hands. As soon as they did, the lights went on.

Chinese Scholar: You see, this proves the wisdom of the old Chinese saying, "Many hands make light work."

Suspicious neighbor: Hello, Mr. Jones, What are you up to?

Mr. Jones: Burying my pet canary.

Neighbor: Look here! I can see you're burying my cat! Mr. Jones: You're quite right, but my canary happens to be inside him.

Steve: Why does a dog turn around three times before he lies down?

Michael: Because one good turn deserves another.

Will: I would like ten cents worth of bird seed, please.

Clerk: How many birds do you have, Son?

Will: None, but I want to grow some.



REV. G. E. JOLLEY, SR. is now serving as superintendent of missions for Tallahatchie Association. He lives at Sumner. A graduate of Clarke and Mississippi Colleges, he served as superintendent of missions in Smith-Jasper Association 1958-61, and has served in various pastorates over the state. He was pastor at Bellefontaine Church, Jackson County prior to going to Tallahatchie County in April.



Reception To Honor Cothens

MEMBERS OF ALTA WOODS CHURCH, JACKSON, plan to hold an informal reception Sunday, July 28, for their pastor, Dr. Joe H. Cothen and his family. Mrs. Cothen, Jodie, Cynthia, and Nathan (pictured above.) The public is invited. Persons attending may call between the hours of 3 to 5 p.m., at Fellowship Hall, Alta Woods Church, 168 Colonial Drive. Dr. Cothen will be assuming his new position with the New Orleans Seminary on August 1.

Spring, evangelist; Rev. Joe Hudson, pastor.

Winston Church, Route 3, Louisville: August 4 - 9; Rev. W. B. Abel, Noxapater, evangelist; the pastor, Rev. W. E. Palmer, in charge of music; regular services on Sunday; weekday 7:30 p.m. only.

Oak Grove (Jeff Davis): July 29 - August 4; services at 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.; Rev. W. F. Evans, pastor; First, New Albany, evangelist; Rev. W. Frank Lay, pastor of Oak Grove, singer.

Leaf River (Covington): July 28 - August 2; Rev. James McCall, evangelist; Rev. Charles Meacham, pastor; Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. with lunch to be served at noon; weekday services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Oakland Grove (Jones): July 28 - August 4; services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Frank Smith, pastor, evangelist.

New Zion, near Liberty: July 28 - August 2; following the regular Sunday morning worship service, lunch will be served in the church with the afternoon service beginning at 1:30; night service during week at 7:30; Rev. John E. Watts, pastor, Liberty, evangelist; J. P. Wash, also from Liberty, song leader; Rev. Basil Wicker, Jr., pastor.

Washington Church, Neely: July 28 - August 2; Rev. Johnny Gips, son, pastor of the Park Hill Church, Jackson, evangelist; Hubert Greer, Minister of Music at Collins Church, directing music; Sunday services at usual time; weekday services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Long Pine (Madison): July 28 - August 2; Rev. Burt West, Emmanuel, Ocean Springs, evangelist; Rev. Earl E. Brown, pastor, will lead music; Mrs. Clark, pianist; Sunday services 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekday services, 7:30 p.m.

Straight Bayou (Sharkey-Isaacs): July 28 - August 2; Rev. Jasper Neel, First, Belzoni, evangelist; Dan Jones, Mississippi College, song leader; Ruby Doris White, Anguilla, pianist; Rev. J. H. Jones, pastor.

Eighteen Full, Fruitful Years

By Joe Abrams
Associate Editor

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, of Sylacauga, Ala., accepted the call to become executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board on April 1, 1950, eighteen years ago, and the phenomenal growth and colorful history of the convention until his untimely death on July 6 had been closely identified with his outstanding leadership.

Dr. Quarles, at the time happily situated as pastor of First Baptist Church, Sylacauga, was elected by the Convention Board just as he was considering the call of a large church in Florida.

This added to the difficulties of his decision but after much prayer, conference and consideration, he "felt directed of God to accept the Mississippi position."

Through his leadership and

the cooperation of the brethren, Mississippi Baptists have made tremendous strides and reached new heights in Kingdom progress.

Dr. Quarles succeeded Dr. D. A. "Scotchie" McCall who had been executive secretary since 1939 and who resigned to become pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Chicago.

In 1950 Mississippi Baptists numbered 388,426, compared to 518,260 in 1967, a phenomenal

gain. There are 1877 churches in the convention today compared to 1554 in 1950, another substantial gain.

Cooperative Program contributions in 1950 totaled \$796,645, as compared to \$3,372,852 for 1967. Total mission gifts in 1950 were \$1,349,214, as compared to \$5,615,247 in 1967.

Grand total income of the churches in 1950 were \$6,540,408 in comparison to \$32,103,650 in 1967. The value of church property, while only \$23,633,308 in 1950, soared to \$152,952,665 in 1967.

Statistics, while very convincing, do not tell all the story, because we see as we look further a substantial expansion and improvement in all departments and phases of denominational life, all with one motive, as Dr. Quarles would say, the extension of the Kingdom.

Work Has Grown

Under his leadership the work and program of the Convention Board has been enlarged, improved and expanded during these 18 years.

Perhaps the first major addition to the work of the convention during the past 18 years was the purchase of Gulfshore Assembly in 1959 as surplus property from the U. S. Government.

The property, with a replacement value of \$2,000,000, has been gradually improved until now Mississippi Baptists have one of the most complete and modern assembly facilities in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Before the acquisition of Gulfshore the convention had previously purchased Camp Kittiwake, also on the Gulf Coast, and had used it for several years as an assembly facility.

Kittiwake is used now as a Royal Ambassador Camp, and for housing staffers and overflow guests from Gulfshore.

Several important new additions to the organizational work of the Convention Board have been noted during the past 18 years.

These include the Department of Work with National Baptists; the Office of Business Manager, the juvenile rehabilitation ministry, the Mississippi Baptist News Service, and the ministry to the deaf.

ed across the campus of Troy High School. It was "little" recess — lunch hour — was "big" recess. Boys ran and tussled and talked, but sixteen-year-old Chester stood alone under a tree. Alone, except for the presence of God. The young man's ears were ready to hear and his heart was ready to understand when, that day under the blue sky in the shade of an oak tree, God called him to preach.

Not until six months later did he make public this call. He was a member of the BYPU organized by J. E. Lambdin of First Church, Troy. When his pastor, Rev. G. B. Arendall, heard him speak and lead in prayer, he said, "Boy, you ought to be a preacher!" Forgetting his self-imposed silence, he blurted, "That's just what I'm going to be!"

While a student at Howard College, Birmingham, he earned an A. B. Degree. At the same time, he was active in tennis, baseball, dramatic club, debating society, and Baptist Student Union (president of the latter). In the history of the college, he was first to receive a letter for work as a cheerleader, and second to get the Gold Honor Award for points earned in student activities. He was voted "friendliest student" in his senior year.

While at Southern Semi-

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This Special Issue

An Editorial

When a man's life for Christ has been as rich, full and effective as was that of Chester Lew Quarles, it is impossible to chronicle it within the confines of a few pages of a newspaper — the task we are attempting this week.

Actually, the record of his ministry and service to God and the denomination, has been given in the week by week reports which have appeared in the Baptist Record and other publications. Our task in this special issue memorializing him and his work is to try to summarize those accomplishments in limited space.

Out of the mass of material available to us — records, photographs, clippings, tributes, letters, telegrams, etc., etc., we have selected representative items. To this we have added the funeral messages, the life story a summary of accomplishments of the past eighteen years; the story of the last two days, and some other things.

The result is this special issue of the Baptist Record. We offer it as a tribute to this friend and leader whose life purpose was to glorify God and extend his kingdom.

both of these occasions I had the privilege of being with him. He made the statement



Dr. Chester L. Quarles appears above with members of the present Executive Committee in a photo taken soon after their election. From left, seated: Dr. Quarles; Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, chairman; Dr. Robert Hamblin, Tupelo, vice-chairman; Dr. W. Levon Moore, Pontotoc, recording secretary; and Claude Townsend, Florence, convention president. Standing: Dr. Russell Bush, Columbia; Glen Perry, Philadelphia; Dr. D. C. Applegate, Starkville; Rev. James B. Riley, formerly of Magnolia, who has left the state and not now on the Committee; Dr. John G. McCall, Vicksburg; Dr. Bob Simmons, Meridian; and A. L. Nelson, business manager. The group with which the executive secretary works most closely is the Executive Committee and the above group forms the last one with which he served.

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A Life Lived For The Master

By

Anne Washburn McWilliams

"The finest thing that can be said of a Christian is that he is on program for his Master. The epitaph most-to-be-desired is: 'He was constantly in the service of the Lord.'"

How we need to be on program for our Lord constantly by our lives, personalities, influence, and words, preaching and teaching the way of life.

Thus wrote Chester Quarles in *Training Union Magazine*, April, 1938. He was talking about the Eight Point Record System of Training Union, and illustrating application of the points to a person's life.

If anyone ever continually stayed "on program" for his Master, it was he. If anyone ever deserved that "most-to-be-desired epitaph," it is he.

Born in Wiggins, Mississippi, Chester Lew Quarles

moved with his family to Gulfport three months later. When an epidemic of polio crept through the coastal city, it sought the children. Of the thirteen small ones stricken with paralysis, five-month-old Chester was the only one who lived. On him the plague left its mark — a crippled right arm. But it did not take away his determination, or his optimism, or his courage.

The son of Hugh A. and Grace Herrington Quarles started to school in Gulfport at the age of five. He resolved to do with one hand what anyone else could do with two. And in an astonishing variety of undertakings, he excelled. At thirteen, by then having moved to Troy, Alabama, he accepted Christ as Saviour. Soon he took as his life motto: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Shouts and laughter sound-

REJOICE

Message By Joe T. Odle, Editor, Baptist Record
At The Funeral Service, July 11, 1968

The late T. T. Martin, Mississippi evangelist, once was asked what he considered the greatest sermon he ever had heard. He answered without hesitation, "It was the funeral sermon for Dr. Basil Manly Jr., preached by Dr. T. T. Eaton, pastor of the Walnut Street Baptist Church in Louisville, Ky." Dr. Manly had been one of the founders of Southern Seminary, and one of its great teachers for many years. He died in 1892, while Dr. Martin was a student at the seminary. On that day, he sat with other students in the balcony of Walnut Street Church.

As Dr. Eaton stood to speak he announced his text, "Rejoice Evermore," I Thess. 5:16, and Dr. Martin said that he wondered what was wrong with the great pastor that he should use such a text at a funeral. Soon, however, he

forgot that, for he was hearing such a message as he never before had heard.

"Let Louisville, Southern Seminary, Kentucky Baptists, Southern Baptists, the family, rejoice that God allowed Basil Manly, Jr. to live in their midst."

Although those words were spoken more than 75 years ago, they are so appropriate that I cannot refrain from using them today.

"Rejoice evermore." How can I say that when a man who has been such a close friend to me, and to all others who are here, will not walk by my side again. We have traveled together on plane and by car. We have walked together on city street and country road. We have stood together in many lands, marveling at the beautiful things God has made. Just the night (Continued on page 2)

IN PERU

His Last Two Days

By Bryan Brasington
SBC Missionary, Lima, Peru

Dr. Quarles arrived at the Lima Airport early Thursday, July 4th. He had written to me saying that he would phone after having rested for a few hours. He called at 11:45 a. m. and I picked him up fifteen minutes later at the Bolivar Hotel.

We went to a restaurant called "Todos" for lunch. Dr. Quarles wanted to try a Peruvian dish so we both ordered "corvina" which is very similar to a sea bass. For dessert he ate lucama ice cream. Lucama is a fruit which tastes like caramel.

During the lunch we talked about the new divisions of work within the Foreign Mission framework. He asked a number of questions relative to the work in Latin America. He expressed that Lima was his favorite city in South America.

After lunch we spent about an hour driving around in the San Isidro area of Lima looking for a family who had invited Dr. Quarles into their home when he was here in 1960. We were unable to find the family.

Dr. Quarles had seen the historical and tourist sites on his 1957 and 1960 visits. On



CHESTER LEW QUARLES (1908-1968)

He Climbed Heights

Message by W. Douglas Hudgins, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson
At The Funeral Service, July 11, 1968

As Dr. Quarles' pastor and for many, many years, his friend, if I were to do now what my heart bids me do, I would slip away somewhere and let my tears fall and my heart ache because of its human hurt. And I think that is what all of us would do — except, he wouldn't like it!

It's almost impossible for us to realize that Chester Quarles is gone. A week ago yesterday the conversation I had with him I suspect was one of the last that any of us in this building, except his family, had with him. As he left for this mission trip, exuberant, joyous, and physically feeling fine, he said, "I wish you were going with me. We'd have a good time!" Now, just a week has gone by, and we bring him home, and our hearts humanly are sad.

From all over this nation you have come today, many religions and creeds: you who loved him as a man, a Christian, and as a citizen. Many of you are those who had the privilege of working with him as a fellow Baptist. Dr. Chester Quarles was a Baptist — a Baptist, bred and born, but first of all, he was a Christian. He loved the Lord God. And with many of you brethren who might share a different ecclesiology, he shared your common faith in a reigning Lord; and you and he, and we, indeed, are brothers.

I think I knew Ches fairly well. I want to read you a little story out of the Old Testament. Maybe you would never think of it but let me read it to you. It's the story about a man named Caleb. More than forty years after he and his companion Joshua had been sent by the Lord to spy out the land of Canaan, Joshua had been chosen the successor to Moses, and Canaan was in the process of being conquered. The time came in a period of that conquest when great victories had been won that Caleb, now an old man but still vigorous, found that the children of Israel came unto Joshua for instructions.

"And Caleb said unto Joshua, Thou knowest the thing that the Lord said unto Moses, the man of God, concerning me and thee. Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the Lord sent me from Kadesh-Barnea to spy out the land and I brought him word, again as it was in my heart. Nevertheless, Joshua, my brethren that went up with me, made the heart of the people melt. But I wholly followed the Lord my God. Moses swear on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's forever, because thou hast wholly followed the Lord thy God. Now, behold the Lord hath kept me alive, and as he said, these forty and five years, even since the Lord spake this word unto Moses while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness, and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old. And yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me. As my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in. Now, therefore, give me this mountain, whereof the Lord spake in that day. For thou hast seen in that day how the Anakim were great and (Continued on page 2)

Tributes Honor Late Secretary

Executive Committee

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD

WHEREAS, God, in His infinite wisdom has called from our midst Dr. Chester L. Quarles, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Quarles served as Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board for eighteen years, and during that time every phase of the work of the Board at home and to the uttermost part of the earth experienced phenomenal growth, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Quarles was a warm personal friend of ours and of many others throughout the world, a man of exceeding dedication to Christ, strong in his Christian faith, a winsome preacher of the gospel, a wise Christian leader, and a man with world missions in his great heart, and

WHEREAS, just a week before the death of our beloved friend and secretary-treasurer the formal opening of a new Baptist building was observed, which building was the fulfillment of a dream of Dr. Quarles and Mississippi Baptists, therefore

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Executive Committee of Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, herewith express our personal Christian love for our late leader, and our heartfelt gratitude to God for the magnificent service he rendered at every level of the work of our denomination; and further

RESOLVED, That we extend to his devoted wife, Mrs. Virginia Quarles, and to each of his children the deepest sympathy of our hearts, and assure them of our earnest prayers for the comfort of the Holy Spirit in their hearts and for God's richest blessings in their lives.

Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, meeting in special session on Monday, July 22, 1968, at the Baptist Building in Jackson, voted unanimously to authorize the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the sudden and untimely death of Dr. Chester L. Quarles removed from us our Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and

WHEREAS, the passing of Dr. Quarles has caused deepest sorrow in our hearts in the loss of a great leader and a personal friend, and

WHEREAS, this dedicated servant of God provided such magnificent leadership to Mississippi Baptists, through his eighteen year tenure as Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and WHEREAS the inspiration of his personal commitment to Christ, his warm Christian friendship, and his wise and trusted counsel will be sorely missed among us;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: FIRST, that the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board express deep gratitude to God for the effective and fruitful ministry of Dr. Quarles;

SECOND, that we express to Mrs. Virginia Quarles, and (Continued on page 4)



AT HOUSTON, TEXAS, in 1958, Dr. Quarles was elected first vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention. Others elected are pictured with him. Left to right: Dr. James Morrill, Georgia, senior secretary; Dr. Archie Ellis, South Carolina, second vice-president; Brooks Hayes, Arkansas, president; Dr. Quarles; Dr. Porter Routh, Tennessee, secretary-treasurer; and Dr. Joe Burton, Tennessee, junior secretary.

REJOICE

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before he left on this last earthly journey. We sat together at the banquet table as we high-doned so many times. Often we had conferred many times. I had shared my soul to him, and he his to me. We had talked about Mississippi Baptist work, Southern Baptist work and the work of Baptists and others to the ends of the earth. We had prayed together, and wept together. How often I come to this man, the closest friend and fellow worker I ever had. And now he is gone. I walk as I now, when we join, step again it will be in glory. How can I help you, how can anyone use the words "Rejoice evermore," to me? Yet the Bible says it, and it adds in the same passage, "In every thing give thanks." In every thing.

Through my tears I find the answer. Rejoice, thank God, because he let a man like Chester Quarles live, and be a friend to all of us, for all who knew him were his friends. No man could be his enemy. He made friends, and bound them to him with cords of gold. Yesterday, I called Dr. W. A. Criswell, to tell him the news, and he cried out in anguish, "Oh, my soul, I feel like I have lost a brother." Yet all of us can rejoice. How can it be?

Let all of Jackson rejoice that God allowed her to have a citizen like this. With his character, integrity, intelligence and strength, he made her a better city because he lived here.

Let Mississippi Rejoice

Let all of Mississippi rejoice, because God allowed him to be born here, and to spend much of his active ministry here, and the greatest years of his life here, a ministry which touched not only Baptists, but other denominations and other citizens as well.

Let Alabama and Tennessee rejoice because God let him give a part of his great ministry to them, to touching churches and people great and small.

Let Baptist churches rejoice that God gave them Chester Quarles to be a pastor and a leader. As a pastor, he shepherded the flock, loved his people, preached the Word, won men to his Lord. He was a builder of churches, and those he touched will never lose that touch.

Let Mississippi Baptists, as a denomination, rejoice. How they can thank God today, because Chester L. Quarles was their leader for these more than 18 years. His vision, his faith, his love for men, united the Baptists of this state in mighty advance, as few men have done in all of the state's history. He challenged churches and men to great missionary and evangelistic advance, and they followed him. He led in the building of a tremendous denominational program, then gave his complete, unreserved devotion to it. He called to his side as his associates, men whom he felt could lead the work that he believed Mississippi Baptists should be doing, then laid upon them the responsibility for doing it. He stood behind them in every task they attempted, and his own great soul was the force which united the work in one great program for God. Under the di-

rection of and with the support of great convention boards and executive committees, he led in developing a wide program for all Mississippi Baptist churches.

Many Achievements

His administration was marked by many great achievements for Baptist work. All of it was achieved in the building of a great Baptist building, from which that work could be done. What a crowning hour it was, on Tuesday, when he began this last journey, when he led in opening that building. He said, "This building is now what it was, and what it was, when it was completed. How he used its grandness and its utility, its strength and its beauty. Without doubt, that opening night was one of the shining ones of his life.

All of those of us who have worked with him, and all of you who represent churches from all over the state, and boards and institutions, and agencies, I am sure, join me in saying, "Rejoice," that God gave Mississippi a leader like this.

The Southern Baptist Convention can rejoice, too, that God gave this man to be a leader among Southern Baptists, because he was a leader far beyond this state. He filled many important places in Southern Baptist life. He served as the vice president of the Convention, he worked on many important committees. His last work, perhaps the one he loved most, was as a member of the Foreign Mission Board. How he loved Southern Baptists. Many of us have heard him say over and over, "I am proud to be a Mississippi Baptist." I am proud to be a Southern Baptist. He loved his denomination and all of its work. He was known and loved all across this Convention.

He loved missions. One of the aims he had for our Baptist Building was that one day there would be out in front of it a globe with the lights showing where mission work is done around the world. He loved our Home Mission program. He had visited many of the fields, he had spoken in many of the churches. He loved the Montana work, where he had gone often. He had talked to me more than once about the time of retirement, and of his hope of

perhaps getting a trailer and going out to serve in one of these little churches, or missions, in the pioneer areas.

Loved Foreign Missions

He loved foreign missions. He had visited many of the fields and many of the missionaries. During the very last conversation I had with him, the morning before his departure for South America to visit mission fields, the telephone rang, and he talked to a man who had just returned from overseas after a year of service in a mission church. He said, "That would be a

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Family Expresses Appreciation

Dear Mississippi Baptists,

The family of Chester L. Quarles wishes that we could personally thank every individual who has remembered us in prayer. Many hundreds of you have either called on the telephone, telegraphed, sent flowers, written wonderfully helpful letters, or you have sent beautiful cards reminding us of the marvelous promises in the Bible. Many others have made memorial gifts of different kinds—to the Children's Village, the Baptist Hospital, one of our Baptist colleges, to church libraries, to the Gideon Bible fund, or to the Quarles Memorial fund. We have never been more keenly aware of the love of God as shown by human hands. Also, we have felt the power of your prayers strengthening us in a special way.

Chester Quarles loved his work with Mississippi Baptists, his outstanding associates and close friends in the Baptist Building, the splendid pastors, the consecrated laymen, and the other dedicated members of the churches. All of the causes of our Baptist Convention were dear to his heart. One man who knew him well made a donation to the Cooperative Program in his memory.

His family and friends tried to get him to slow down in his activities, but every opportunity was to him a challenge for service. He was not happy when he was inactive. For two and a half years his doctor had kept a constant check on his blood pressure, which had improved remarkably under treatment. He never made a long trip without first having a physical check-up by a physician. But after taking these precautions, he felt the desire to live a full life of service for the Lord and he continued to accept as many preaching and speaking engagements as he could. That was the way he wanted his life to be—full and running over with work for the Master.

Thank you, Mississippi Baptists, for giving him eighteen busy, happy years—years filled with the basic satisfactions of seeing souls saved, missions begun, churches developed, and individuals full-grown in the faith. We, his family, deeply appreciate every kind word which you have spoken to him and every good deed you have done for him in these eighteen years. May God bless the Baptists of our beloved state and help us to go forward under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Sincerely,

Virginia Quarles

Mary Virginia, Chester Leland, and Grace

He Climbed The Heights

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that the cities were great and fenced. And so I shall be able to drive them out as the Lord said. And Joshua blessed him and gave unto Caleb the sons of Jephunneh Hebron for an inheritance.

Points To Difficulties

"Lord, give me this mountain." Caleb was not interested in the rolling, fertile, pasture lands verdant with their moisture and greenery, able to feed flocks and herds and nourish tribes and clans. Recognizing that life to him was more than a soft, easy way of living, Caleb said to Joshua, "Give me the most difficult portion of this land, and I want a task that challenges." I have never thought of Dr. Chester Quarles as being anything but the conqueror of mountains. Oh, I know he was born on the Coast, was nursed by the whispers of the pine trees, and loved it with a passion. I know that he lived in the piney woods and in the redlands of Alabama, but I also know that he loved to climb the mountain heights and scale that which was humanly almost impossible to conquer. His was the life of the climber; he would never live the life of the cloud.

Like most of us, he was not born in the lap of luxury, but he was nurtured at the breast of love. And when as a tiny child the hand of affliction lifted itself and dropped his right arm, useless and withered, to the end of the way, it dealt him a cruel blow. I shall never forget how Ches would tell sometimes, reminiscences

of how the older bullies at school would throw him to the ground and pick up his helpless arm and drop it in his face. Until, by the grace of God, he developed his body, his left arm and his left hand, so that ever long, they didn't bother him. Many of you may not know that our beloved friend, in spite of this physical affliction, which never seemed to bother him, it never mattered to him—why he could do more with one arm than most of us can do with both of ours. He was a marvelous swimmer. That as a lad, with one arm, he achieved the outstanding merit award as a Red Cross life-saver. Did you know that he was an excellent athlete? Some of us who in seminary days played softball with him were never able to lift his pitches. When he said to some of you Board members as you were leaving a meeting, "Pitch your fast ball, boy, pitch your fast ball," he was going back to his prowess as an athlete. Some of you have played tennis with him, and that one arm, with that sizzling serve, would beat you to death. He could handle a shotgun and a fishing rod with a skill that would put many of us to shame. He loved football, he was a rabid fan when that score was tied. He could tell you how the National League and the American League were going week by week, and the teams in them. Some how in his growing youth, he conquered the mountain of physical disability and transformed it into triumph and victory.

Had To Dig

He said to me so many times, as he said to some of you, I am quite sure, "You know sometimes I am tempted to envy the bright boys in school; it looks so easy for some of them. But I had to dig for mine. I had to work and study and sweat and slave a damn." And he would be the first one to tell you that he was no genius. But he was a man who had in his very nature, as God had molded him in his fashion, the determination to conquer every obstacle. In seminary days, as the midnight oil burned and the coffee pot shrank in its content, there were hours of digging and study and sweat and toil, but they paid off. He was determined that he was going to be a good student of the Word of God.

Seminary days over—that was back in the days of the depression, if any of you remember back that far—getting a church wasn't easy. Broadway Baptist Church in Louisville offered him the task of being a combination assistant pastor, youth director, athletic supervisor, janitor and a little bit of everything else. But he took it, and rendered a marvelous service. Then there came his first pastorate in Alabama, at Newton. Shortly, Alabama Baptists looked upon his ability and took him into their state work, and then the Sunday School Board took him from them for a while, to serve in the Training Union Department. Next, a committee from up in the Delta looked upon this Mississippi native with a great deal of interest and finally called him to Leland, where I suppose he entered into the fullness of his growth as a pastor. How he loved

those people and how they loved him! How he grew as a preacher, as a student, as an expositor, and how he learned to grow as a pastor. I am sure that in Newton, in Leland, and later in Macon, in the pastorate, he found an opportunity to let his great, overflowing sympathy for heart play the part of the shepherd to the thousands who looked upon him.

Had Uncanny Ability

He had an uncanny ability to do many things. But one of the most unusual qualities of the man, to me, was that he could sit in dinner clothes, in the dim candlelight of a millionaire's table, laden with silver and crystal and fine china, served by butlers and skilled waiters, resplendent with the most succulent of foods and viands, and be perfectly at home. And yet he had the ability to walk out in a cotton field to a tenant's house and sit down to an oil-cloth covered table in the kitchen and relish blackeyed peas, turnip greens and cornbread, and be just as much at home as anywhere else. He could sit with brethren in theological discussions, he could sit with brethren in administrative problems, he could share with brethren the passion of evangelism. Wherever he happened to be, there was the ability to share in the atmosphere of the moment.

He was no narrow denominationalist. He was not anything else but a Baptist. I guarantee you that. But he had the ability to sit down with brethren, whatever their race or creed or color—and talk about the privileges of Christianity or the needs of today's world. And whether it be here in Mississippi in the Committee of Concern, or whether it be in the Southern Hemisphere with the Crusade of the Americas, he was no narrow individual.

Do you know what I have here for you, Mrs. Quarles, after the service is over? I have in my hand, sent to my desk shortly after noon a beautifully prepared document. Do you know what it is? It is a joint resolution of the Mississippi Senate and House, executed in honor and in memory of what these bodies call "a distinguished Mississippi citizen." He was, indeed, a great citizen.

For many years Dr. Quarles gave himself unstintingly to the work of Boy Scouts. He served on Chambers of Commerce, he was a Rotarian for many years and served as president of his club at least once. He was interested in community activities and affairs. Always on the side of right and decency, but, mark you, he was never one to engender or give approval to religious pressure where there was ever personal freedom involved. He was a man of unimpeachable character. So deep was his sense of integrity for his denomination and for his office, that only recently, when a representative in a far distant city, making dishonest claims about relationships with his own state and his work, falsely obtained a sum of money, Dr. Quarles wrote immediately, reimbursed the money and said, "We will not let you suffer because of what one of our brethren has done."

Was Their Brother

You associates and the staff over at the Building, I cannot speak, but briefly, for you. He was not your boss, he was your brother. He was not your director, he was your counselor. He was your friend. He loved you with a deep devotion. He believed in you, and more times perhaps than you will ever know, would labor with those whose responsibility it had to be to give you the benefits of material things as a reward for your work.

Dr. Odle beautifully talked about his mission work and his mission emphasis, his denominational service, and his family. I read you a story about a man who said, "Give me a mountain." When our beloved Secretary came to this state eighteen years ago, it was no lush meadow of ease, my brethren, but it was a mountain to be tackled. But with your help and your prayers, and his leadership and his dependence upon God, his glorious and wonderful spirit, for these eighteen years, fellowship and brotherliness and confidence and love have mastered us all. And in last Tues-

day's accomplishment, how we rejoice with our Secretary in the victory that was his that day. Ah, yes, some of us have known for a dozen years, his dreams and his hopes, his ambitions and his plans. Last Tuesday, with such radiant joy, it was a mountain peak conquered once again. You know, I am glad that the Good Lord let Ches have Tuesday before He called him home.

He Loved Ridgecrest

One of the places in this country that Ches loved was Ridgecrest, North Carolina. Many of you who have been there recall that just this side of Ridgecrest is Mount Mitchell. Many of you have climbed it, and seen the sun rise from its topmost rock. Did you know, or had you ever noticed, that at the summit of that interesting peak there is a grave? It is the grave of Dr. Elijah Mitchell who in the early part of the last century was the professor of mathematics at the University of North Carolina, and the man who has discovered that that mountain peak was the highest point of elevation east of the Mississippi River. And again he visited that mountain that he loved. Was one day in June, 1967, while eating at the beautiful mountain ranches from the topmost peak, he was unaware that one of these sudden mountain summer storms was upon him. And as can happen in that country, it descended with terrific fury, the winds dropped like billows, the winds shrieked, the lightning flashed, the thunders rolled, the rains fell, the winds hurried the rain about the summit. Seeking for a secure hold against the winds, his hands slipped and he plunged to his death on the rocks below. After they had found him, and the services in his memory had been completed, knowing that he loved his mountain, they carried him to the top and laid him to rest. I suppose it is still there; it was a number of years ago—this plaque, marking the resting place of Dr. Elijah Mitchell. He climbed the heights to rest in peace.

Yes, literally, our friend climbed the heights, or started to, in a faraway land. But he climbed the heights to be found at rest in peace. Victory after victory, mountain after mountain, conquest after conquest, triumph after triumph, has God given Chester Quarles. And how wonderful to be taken home from the peak of his highest achievement! What would he say in this moment? He would say, "Rejoice, everyone rejoice." He would say with the Psalmist, "Sing unto the Lord a new song, declare His glory among the heathen. He wonders among all the people. For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised. He is to be feared above all gods. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him. For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods."

Knew Scriptures

He knew, because he had read that triumphant glory of the Apostle Paul, when he said, "Now is Christ, risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of them that slept." Ah, one day, one day, in the Lord's plan of the ages, in His consummation of time, there will come that moment when in the resurrection of the just there will be, according to this blessed Book, a translation and transformation of the body. And in a body fashioned by His resurrection power, we shall ever be with the Lord. That arm, then, will not be withered, that body will not be limited in its strength. Nor will yours, or mine. But together with glorious thanksgiving and doxologies, we shall praise our God.

Holy Father, we humbly thank Thee for the life of our dear friend and Thy servant and our great leader and Christian citizen. And though our hearts melt within us with our human tears, our spirits sing Thy praise. And, as he would have us do this moment, we exult in praising Thy name through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(The audience stood as the Doxology was played.)



A RECEPTION at they moved to Mrs. Chester Quarles Lane, J. B. Parker Wilds.



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THE PASTORS' AND MISSIONARIES' ASSEMBLY was the first assembly held at Gulfshore. It was the week of April 23-29, 1960. The acquisition of Gulfshore is considered by many as one of the finest achievements of Dr. Quarles as administrator. He is pictured third row, center.



A RECEPTION at the Baptist Building in Jackson welcomed Dr. and Mrs. Quarles when they moved to Mississippi in April 1950. Left to right, above: E. C. Williams, Chester Quarles, Mrs. Chester Quarles, W. P. Davis, Martin Gilbert, A. L. Goodrich, Charlie Horner, J. E. Lane, J. B. Parker, Miss Edwina Robinson, Mrs. Daphne Pridgen, W. R. Roberts, and Auber Wilds.



NEW BUILDING—Dr. Quarles presided over Open House at the new Baptist Building in Jackson, on July 2. This was his last official act for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Chester Quarles:

Pictorial Highlights



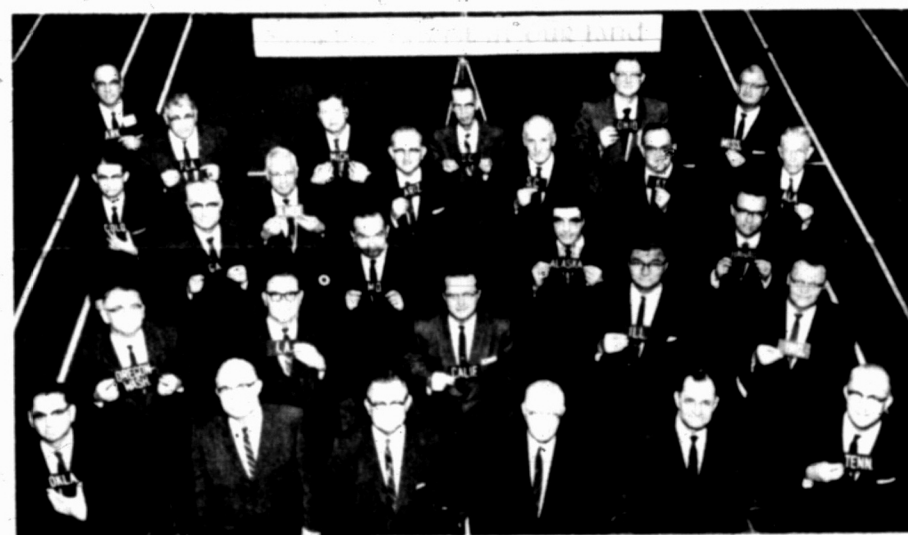
SOUTHWIDE BTU, Ridgecrest, N. C., July 26, 1938. This photo was made while Dr. Quarles was Alabama's state Training Union secretary. He and Mrs. Quarles, on second row, just to the left of center, are pictured with Alabama group at Ridgecrest.



WITH A GROUP of fellow Training Union workers when he was Alabama's state Training Union secretary: l to r: J. E. Lambdin; Henry Rogers, Quarles, Davis Woolley, R. Maines Rawls, John Jeffers, and George Bagley.



YOUTH NIGHT—Dr. Quarles speaks during Youth Night, on the closing night of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. This was at the old stadium in Jackson the year before the Coliseum was opened. Rev. Ralph Langley of Houston, Texas, one of the guest speakers, is seated at left.



WITH EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES—Dr. Quarles is pictured with the other state executive secretaries of the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting with Home Mission Board executives several years ago.



DOCTORATE — In 1952, Dr. D. M. Nelson, left, then president of Mississippi College, presented to Chester L. Quarles, the honorary degree, Doctor of Divinity.



A DECADE OF PROGRESS — Cooper Walton of Jackson and Dr. Chester Quarles are holding a poster showing progress made during Dr. Quarles' first ten years as Mississippi Baptists' executive secretary. This was compiled for the observance of his tenth anniversary in the state.



SPAIN-ITALY—Dr. Quarles and Dr. W. C. Fields led a preaching mission to Spain and Italy in the summer of 1959. Participants are shown above. Dr. Quarles is at far right. This was one of the many preaching missions that he directed.



LEAVING FOR LONDON—In 1955, Dr. and Mrs. Chester L. Quarles and Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Goodrich attended the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in London.

PEOPLE WHO HAVE IMPRESSED ME — Phil Card



Chester Quarles is Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention (1950-), has led convention forces in a most cooperative and magnanimous way to help the churches of SBC in crusades, student summer workers, building programs, equipment, pastors, laymen, finances, and other phases of the Lord's work. Native of Mississippi; reared in Alabama, graduate of Howard Baptist College, Birmingham and Southern Seminary. Given leadership to evangelistic crusades and mission tours in several foreign countries; served on boards and agencies of SBC; pastored churches, served in IT department of SSB; state IT sec. of Ala., general and far-sighted leader. Developed tennis, golf, and other athletics to above-average degree, even though a victim of polio.



PREACHING IN ARGENTINA—Dr. Quarles is shown preaching in Argentina. This was a mission tour and preaching mission conducted by Dr. Quarles in 1957. W. L. Cooper, missionary to Argentina, and Dr. Quarles' brother-in-law, is standing beside him. Dr. S. R. Woodson, First Church, Columbus, is seated at left.

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Tributes Honor Late Secretary

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to other members of the family, our love, and deepest sympathy, assuring them of our prayers and support in this time of their personal loss; and

THIRD, that we express to Mississippi Baptists, through the Baptist Record, our feelings of high esteem for, and deep appreciation of, this beloved Christian leader.

FOURTH, that we dedicate ourselves anew to the worldwide mission task which burned so fervently in the heart of Dr. Quarles, and to which he dedicated to the fullest the energies of his life.

Southern Baptist Convention

By Albert McClellan, Program Planning Secretary

Chester Quarles was that rare leader who combined a great amount of common sense with charisma. He was in wide demand as a member of denominational committees because of his common sense and as a friend because of his charisma. When news came that he was gone, a person long active with him in committee work said with despair, "Now to whom can we turn for someone to balance our committee?" Men as balanced as Chester Quarles are hard to find. Another person in talking about the early August Bible week at Gulfshore said, "It cannot be the same without him." He spoke the way everyone feels about the loss of Chester Quarles. Chester added a special quality to everything he touched. Life was truly alive when he was around.

What the denomination will miss most of all is his balance. He was big enough not to be swayed by the extreme emotional ideas of a few men. He never built a case on one or two examples, and he never let people drive him to precipitous action. Yet, he was small enough that any man with a grievance could feel that in him they had a friend and a confidant. Somehow where differences appeared Chester Quarles always managed to stand in the gap with enormous reassuring integrity. He truly practiced reconciliation. He could be counted on to help find the right course for any problem where points of view clashed.

The denomination will also miss his optimism. If Chester Quarles ever "viewed with alarm" or "hung any crepe" I never knew about it. His confidence in God and in the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ gave him assurance that right would prevail, and that tomorrow was always bright. He could be counted on to bring that glow of optimism into any meeting. It was part of his great charisma, and was the secret of the success of so many things he touched, most of all life itself. He never doubted God and he never doubted tomorrow.

The last time I talked to Chester Quarles he said, "I just want you to know how wonderful it has been to know a fellow like you, and to work with you." When the sad news came, I found two other people who said they had similar experiences. Premonition? No sir, just Chester Quarles! This was his life's attitude toward everyone. Few men can qualify as being everybody's friend and fully appreciating human worth of even the frailest, but Chester Quarles could, and this is what I will always remember the most about him.

Brethren, his mantle of friendship was big enough for all of us, so let us all walk under it.

Sunday School Board

By James L. Sullivan, Executive Secretary

All of us lost a true friend when Chester Quarles died. He was a natural-born leader selflessly dedicated to others and to the will of God. He inspired confidence in others. He set a worthy example himself. He was a man both of vision and patience.

Chester, as we affectionately called him, had been one of my favorite people since I first met him in seminary days. He was the kind of man who caught your eye in a crowd. As you learned him better, you admired him, all the more.

As an employee of the Sunday School Board, Chester worked sacrificially for the developing of many skilled leaders among Southern Baptists. Many of those persons reached and influenced by him then are now in positions of responsibility in our denomination's life. They had been inspired to enter into this field because of the leadership in service Chester gave. He took travel in stride. Whatever he did in field engagements represented this institution, its programs and its purposes well.

Dr. Quarles never lost his pastor's heart of compassion. He had a tender feeling for people. He was a man of warmth and a preacher of unusual ability. Still, we must recognize that he came into his own when Mississippi Baptists called him to lead the denomination's work there. Prayerfully, even fearfully, he faced such a gigantic task fraught with many difficulties and problems, but God's hand was upon him. In that position his life's work came to its pinnacle.

Baptists have lost an ardent servant. He had the world in his heart as well as in his eyes, but he never let the vastness of that vision diminish the worth of a single individual with whom he dealt.

Life was made happier and better because God let Chester Quarles live and serve.

Our prayers are for all of you as you feel the weight of your loss in the Baptist work of my native state which I love with such affection.

Alabama Baptist Convention

By George E. Bagley, Executive Secretary

Chester Quarles was not a native son of Alabama, but he was one of us, nevertheless. In 1919 when he was eleven years of age, he came to Troy, Alabama, with his parents from his native state of Mississippi. Chester grew up in Troy. His father died in 1924, and the next year Chester graduated from the Troy High School and entered Howard College. After graduating in 1929, he left the state and went to Southern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

Following his graduation from the Seminary, Dr. Quarles came back to Alabama to pastor the Newton Baptist Church, Newton, Alabama. In 1937 he came to the State Training Union Department. While State Training Union Secretary, he also directed the B.S.U. program of the State Convention.

Dr. Quarles left Alabama to join the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board to direct the Associational Training Union program.

Later, after a pastorate in Leland, Mississippi, Dr. Quarles returned to Alabama to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sylacauga where he had a wonderful ministry. He was greatly beloved by the people of his church and the community. While pastor there, he was a member of the State Executive Board and various Convention committees.

It was from the Sylacauga Church he was called to Mississippi to become the Executive Secretary in 1950.

Alabama nurtured Chester Quarles. He became a Christian in Troy. The good people and pastors at Troy taught, challenged and started him out in his ministry. He was licensed and ordained to the ministry by the First Baptist Church of Troy. His first experience at preaching was in the country churches around Troy. His first church was near Troy at Newton. His first denominational experience was in Alabama in the Convention's Training Union Department.

It was in Alabama that Dr. Quarles met Virginia Cooper, at a Southwide Training Union Convention in Birmingham. He fell in love with her and traveled many miles between Alabama and Mississippi until he married that lovely lady.

Dr. Quarles received much from Alabama churches, the denomination and her people, but undoubtedly he put even more back into her spiritual life through his dedicated leadership and service.

His many friends all over Alabama will miss him and his visits back to preach on special occasions and in numerous revivals.

As reminders of Alabama's appreciation and esteem for Dr. Quarles, there are four chairs in his new office that were given by the Alabama Baptist Convention, a handsome marble-top table from the First Baptist Church of Sylacauga, and a set of beautiful marble book ends from his first church at Newton, Alabama.

In a special way Alabama was blessed by the ministry of Chester Quarles, a great servant of God.

State Executive Secretaries

By Robert L. Lee, Louisiana, President

Glad and golden thoughts like uplifting music fill the heart of memories touching the fellowship in Christian service with our trusted friend. Unforgettable are his observations, immeasurable the benefits of his counsel, imperishable his attainments.

No barren regrets need add a weight to sorrow. A personality so enriched in grace, refined in wisdom, abundant in faith, compassionate in heart, courageous in spirit, immortalized in deeds, and crowned in glory would not shroud the living with despair. Mellowed instincts of his character which processed his thoughts and blossomed into action transmit even yet the ebullience of his noble aims bound to the triumph of Christ and His everlasting Kingdom.

No man among us was more sincerely appreciated, or genuinely respected, or affectionately regarded. Schooled in early experience to overcome personal handicap he was a champion of great causes, concerned for his fellows, cooperative to a fault, yet brimming with humor and zest for enjoyable living. Cooperation in Christ was the trademark of his progressive missions statesmanship.

Loathe to injure another he was kind in demeanor, and gracious in speech. Equal to every occasion he was all good things to all men. As said of another, "he had one good arm but two hearts." The one is stilled and sleeping. The other beats with the heart of God.

Our fraternity of fellowship and labors together will suffer loss in the absence of your presence, dear Chester, but we shall remember — we cannot forget!

"When wasteful war shall statues overturn
And broils root out the work of masonry
Nor mass swift sword nor war's quick fire shall burn
The living record of your memory"

First Church, Leland

Our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Quarles and her family and with Mississippi Baptists during these days. We feel a deep share in their grief. We also share their pride and gratitude in recalling the vital, joyful life of service which Dr. Quarles lived.

We here are especially thankful to have had the privilege of calling him our pastor, and also for the good years of close friendship and association since that time.

First Church, Sylacauga, Ala.

WHEREAS, Dr. Chester L. Quarles became the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sylacauga, Alabama, on October 19, 1947, and remained until April 9, 1960, at which time he left the pastorate to assume the responsibilities embodied in a call to serve as the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi State Baptist Convention for the state of Mississippi, and,

WHEREAS, during the time of his services which he rendered to the First Baptist family as pastor, this good man deeply endeared himself to all the members of the church and the people of the community as a true and faithful Christian, as a warm and compassionate preacher, as an humble servant of the Lord, as an understanding and concerned friend and brother and as an excellent example in citizenship, and,

WHEREAS, this dear and trusted friend has remained loyal in interest and prayer support of the First Baptist Church family, making contributions through his life and ministry on numerous occasions in returned visits to the congregation and the pulpit of the church, and,

WHEREAS, his sudden and untimely passing causes us to feel a keen sense of loss,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the First Baptist Church of Sylacauga, in business meeting on Wednesday evening, July 10, 1968, that,

FIRST, we express our humble gratitude to Almighty God for having allowed the First Baptist Church family of Sylacauga to be benefited and blessed and inspired by His ministry through this dear man of God; and that,

SECOND, we express our deepest love for and Christian sympathy to his beloved widow, children, and grandchildren, and pledge our prayerful concern and interest for their future; and that,

THIRD, we call each member of First Baptist to rededicate self to the highest possibilities in Christian service and Kingdom building.

Convention Board Employees

By Kermit S. King, Director, Training Union Department

Whether he was addressed directly or referred to as "Ches," "The Chief," or "Dr. Quarles," there was within the Baptist Building family universal respect and admiration for the man. A man in his position could have demanded and secured satisfactory performance of duty but position, title, rank, authority can never secure the loyalty and love we felt for our leader—for this was a personal response to a person.

Others will speak of the growth of Mississippi Baptist work under his leadership, of his service to the denomination he loved, of the great monument, the Baptist Building, that he left. I would turn my thoughts more to one quality of the man as he related to his fellow Convention Board employee. He cared for people.

He cared for the people of the world. He had a missionary's zeal for the people of the world and he gave not only his money but his personal endeavors to the cause of missions. Whether these people were in a foreign land or in pioneer areas of the homeland, his heart and the resources at his command reached out to them. It is no wonder that he was called on to serve both the Home and Foreign Mission Boards and did so so effectively. His was a missionary heart.

He cared for the people of Mississippi. How proud he was of the development of the work in our churches. Without knowing their names he loved every one in the state, coveting the unsaved for Christ's kingdom, wishing well the work of other evangelical groups in the state, and working tirelessly for the cause of Baptists in Mississippi.

There was a special place in his heart for the preachers of Mississippi and it is no accident that within the state at this time there is perhaps the greatest spirit of fellowship among preachers than exists in any other state. This is the feeling of an educational man who hears pastors express their views—especially those who have been out of the state for a while.

There was a special caring for those of us who worked with him in the Baptist Building. Without being paternal he did feel that this was a second family.

His background in a state organization and at the Baptist Sunday School Board prepared him to understand our needs from our point of view. On many occasions we have boasted justifiably that no state convention board has done as much as

ours for its employees. This was, of course, due to Dr. Quarles' leadership and to the wisdom of the Board in implementing his vision.

His love for people made him one of the most effective listeners most of us have ever known. He had the unique ability of making one who was in conversation with him feel that for the moment at least he had his undivided attention. Speaking with him was never a one-way street. If the initiative were his he expected and was attentive to a response or reaction. If the initiative were another's he was eager to react and to become involved.

When a staff member had some need that Dr. Quarles had the authority to grant or deny, that person could always approach the executive office with the confidence that he had a chance, for underlying any conference with him was the feeling of assurance of his good will for the staff member personally; his eagerness to anything that would promote the work of each department; and his own desire to be convinced.

He trusted his staff. He believed in them and in their ability individually to perform the task they had been employed to do. Our love for him was to a great degree a response to this trust and to his caring for us. The reaction of many of us on hearing of his death was that of losing a cherished friend.

In his death we lost a leader, a co-worker, and a friend. No one can take his place in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. But each of us stands ready to relate to his successor in both work and personal relationships as we did with him.

Business Manager

By A. L. Nelson

My very dear friend is dead. I miss him very much. But, again becoming aware that God is in Heaven. He holds the destiny of the world in His hand; His hands are much larger than we can imagine, and all things happen for good for those who love Him, and knowing my friend's life of service dedicated to and his faith in Christ; I know he has graduated to be in Heaven with God. He knows all truth and no longer looks through the glass darkly. Tears, worries, and pain are banished forever.

So I ask, do those who know me, feel about my Christian life, like I feel about my friend who was also my "boss"?

Every man's life has influence, good or bad, varying by how well people know him. The closer the relationship, the more the influence. A man's wife knows much more about him than does acquaintances. An acid test of a man's Christian character is how the people who work for and with him feel about him.

My friend and my boss was never too busy to hear me out on any problem, work or personal. He had the capacity of sometimes saying "no" and making me feel good about it.

He trusted those who worked for him to do their work with a minimum of interference, or looking over shoulders. He had no patience with trivia and/or non-essential details. His mind was always on the final objectives of the total program. He was a big man.

When my boss and friend hired a man for a specific job, he tried to find the best trained and proven man available, then he did not waste time telling him how to do the job he was hired for.

The best of all about my friend was his great love for humanity and individual humans. Big or small, poor or rich, sinners or saints, he managed to communicate his great spirit and heart to all. He had no need to tell anyone he was a Christian, because he was such a Christian in his actions and life that telling it was superfluous.

He frequently praised the Lord from the depth of his heart, and knew his Bible as well as any man I have known; however, he was the kind of a man who did not need a Bible on his desk to advertise his Christianity. He neither needed to salt his conversations with frequent ecclesiastical phrases. What he was spoke much louder for Jesus Christ than anything he said.

My friend could and did preach with power, love, and conviction. He needed no gimmicks. He was real, human, sincere, and without affectation. He was impeccably honest in all matter, big or small, even when it hurt.

Hosts of people felt this way about my friend. We who knew him and felt this way now looked forward with keener anticipation to renewing our friendship with him when we go to "dwell in the House of the Lord forever".

A Minister Of Another Denomination

By Charles G. Hamilton, Aberdeen, Mississippi

Mississippi has lost its major Christian leader of many years. Few have known how widely his ministry has extended and all he has done. He has furnished leadership when others faltered, not only for Baptists but for all people of the state.

He brought a message of goodwill and justice when it was sorely needed and was able to cooperate without compromise of principle. He knew how to lead rather than drive and understood us as he became one of us. He has entered the full joy of the Lord.

In my Mississippi ministry which began in 1928 and in which I am still active as one of the senior ministry I can think of no man who has more motivated the state and church to personal and social righteousness.

I have worked with him in many ways. He asked me if when he retired he should not go to the legislature and I agreed. I heard him a few years ago at the dedication of the First Church of Pascagoula, and he preached on Matthew 5. He told me afterwards, "Don't think I always preach on Matthew 5; you heard me on it in Flora 15 years ago." I thought I had a memory, but not like that!

Christian Action Commission

Mississippi Baptist Convention

The Christian Action Commission is, in large part, a product of the compassion and vision of Dr. Chester L. Quarles, who worked diligently with the Long-Range Planning Committee that brought the recommendation for the Commission's establishment in 1964. From its beginning, he gave freely of his counsel and support in every possible way; and though he was not officially required to do so, by invitation he attended all of the meetings of the Commission, save one.

Dr. Quarles concurred wholeheartedly and enthusiastically in the Commission's choice of the Executive Director and helped to lay on his heart the significance, the scope and the challenge of the seven programs assigned to the Commission by the Convention. He spent many hours with the Director reviewing proposed philosophy, policies, relationships, goals and procedures for the Commission. Together they were mindful of the importance of the right beginning of an enlarged work to help Mississippi Baptist churches express concern for problems faced by their members in their homes and communities.

Thus, Dr. Quarles aided in the solid foundation work of the Christian Action Commission in a way to contribute to its ready acceptance and already wide influence within our state and beyond. He often spoke with pride of Mississippi's being the second state in the Southern Baptist Convention to have a full time director working in this field.

The Commission, by official action and by our members personally, frequently voiced appreciation to Dr. Quarles for his dedication to this phase of Mississippi Baptist Convention work. But now, along with others, we register publicly our debt of gratitude.

We, too, as individuals, loved him dearly and feel a profound sense of personal loss and grief. We convey this message to Mrs. Quarles and the family with our love and prayers for God's sustaining grace.

By Dr. J. D. Grey, Pastor

First Baptist Church

New Orleans

Dr. Chester Quarles and his wife were in a tour party led by Dr. Roland Q. Leavell enroute to the Baptist World Alliance meeting in London in 1955. Our tour of Europe and the Middle East called for a visit to our Baptist Seminary at Ruschlikon, Switzerland. Our entire party, numbering nearly 70, was seated at tables having refreshments as guests of the Seminary. Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, now the General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, was President of the Seminary at that time. Dr. Nordenhaug was giving us a history of the Seminary, a story of the progress it made, and the plans being carried out. He kept referring to the many things they had been able to do because of the gifts through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. In the midst of the praise of the women for the work they did through the Lottie Moon Offering, Dr. Quarles spoke out: "Pardon me, Dr. Nordenhaug, but have you people ever here ever heard of the Cooperative Program?" Dr. Nordenhaug seemed "flustered" for a moment, realizing the omission he had inadvertently made, replied that indeed they had and that they and everyone else knew it was the lifeline of our mission program. Dr. Quarles was not showing a lack of appreciation for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, but being a State Secretary and having been a Pastor he had a conviction of the importance and solidarity of the Cooperative Program as the permanent, undergirding mission effort of Southern Baptists.

Former

Employee Writes

By Mrs. Judson Irwin

D'Lo, Miss.

"And I was glad when they said unto me, 'Come let us go into the House of the Lord.' Surely I did just that when I was given opportunity to work with the fine group known as 'Baptist leaders' from 1955 to 1963 full-time, and then part-time since."

I remember meeting Dr. Quarles so well. Prior to our first meeting, I was getting nervous about meeting "the big boss." Later I thought how, with his wonderful Christian smile and kind words, he had made me feel at ease.

I today read a letter he wrote on September 9, 1956, regarding my work, and I thought just how much the past and present office secretaries will miss him. On coffee breaks, although he was usually rushing for an important meeting he always had time to have brief fellowship with us. He always seemed to remember the names of our families and to ask about them. This really amazed me as he had so much to remember as our leader. And oh, how devoted a father and husband! He and Mrs. Quarles always gave so much time to office secretaries, and to the entire Baptist Building staff. He will be missed so much, but he would have us to rededicate ourselves anew and carry on: "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith." (Gal. 5:22)

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Eighteen Fruitful Years

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The Department of Work with National Baptists, added in 1953, has grown in its ministry as it supports also the project in which the Convention Board has appointed a pioneer missions committee and 'adopted' the state of Montana as its major field.

An important outgrowth of this work was the formation of the inter-faith Committee of Concern in September 1965, which assisted in the rebuilding of many of the recently burned Negro churches in the state.

The office of Business Manager was created in 1956 to supervise the growing work of the Convention Board. Through this office many improvements have been made in business management and likewise numerous economies have been effected. The business manager is also personnel director of the Board.

Department Strengthened

The work of stewardship and evangelism have been greatly strengthened through a realignment four years ago in which the office of associate executive secretary was discontinued and its work divided into separate departments of stewardship and evangelism.

Recently two men associates have been added to the department of stewardship, greatly enlarging that area of work.

The former Rural Church Work Department several years ago was converted into the Cooperative Missions Department, enlarging and strengthening that phase which includes juvenile rehabilitation, deaf ministry, church administration, inservice guidance, ministry to language groups and others.

Temperance promotion, while taking several approaches during the past 18 years, has been constantly strengthened with a full-time director of temperance work in effect for several years.

Soon after the retirement of the director three years ago, the Christian Action Commission of the State Convention was added. This commission now has seven areas of work, including temperance promotion.

Through the cooperation of the State Board the promotion of the various SBC Annuity Board plans has been strengthened and now for several years there has been a full-time director in the state for this work.

REJOICE

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"wonderful thing to do!" I think if anything could have taken him away from Mississippi, it would have been to go and serve on a foreign field. Southern Baptists, all can say, "Rejoice that God let this man live in our midst."

The family can rejoice—oh, how he loved his home. Many times when we had traveled afar and were turning homeward, he would say, "I'm so glad we are going home." He loved his companion; he loved his children; he loved his grandchildren. How proud he was of all of them! How many times we laughed together, joked together, about our grandchildren; how precious and wonderful his wife were to him. What a wonderful brother he was. What a wonderful son to those parents, who are gone. God blessed his family by giving them one who gave himself so completely to this home that he loved so much. They, too, can rejoice that God gave them Chester Quarles to be their own for these years.

And, then all of us can rejoice, today and forevermore, too because in Chester Quarles' life, Christ was first. Christ was above all. One of his favorite texts was, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." For him, like Paul, to live was Christ. And when you say that about a man, you also can add Paul's other words, "to die is gain."

Our friend went to sleep in a foreign land; he waked up in Glory. What it must be to wake up in Glory?

No wonder Paul could say, "Rejoice."

We, too, can say it today, because God let our lives be touched by his life, before he took him to Glory.

A comprehensive pioneer missions program has also been added, one "over-and-above" the regular mission channels. This is the Montana project in which the Convention Board has appointed a pioneer missions committee and 'adopted' the state of Montana as its major field.

The committee has sponsored mission crusades to other points in the west and has been instrumental in establishing new Baptist work in many areas.

Long Range Committee

Another important step during the past decade and a half was the creation of the Convention's Long Range Planning Committee.

This committee met regularly and systematically studied the various phases of the work of the convention with a view to improvement, expansion or realignment.

The history interests of the convention have been given additional emphasis, with the creation several years ago of the Historical Commission, which has augmented the work of the State Historical Society.

Communicating the Gospel has always been paramount in the thinking and planning of the executive secretary and he has from the very beginning sought to keep abreast of the times.

One of the first actions he took after assuming office was to establish the Mississippi Baptist News Service, for the purpose of providing the news of the work and program of the Convention Board to the secular press, radio and television outlets in the state.

In 1963 a series of six highway signs, advertising the convention, were erected at strategic locations on main highways leading into the state.

The Bible has always had a prominent place in his heart and life. His life's motto is: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

As a result of this he founded the Gulfshore Bible Conference which has grown in attendance and effectiveness and has the potential of becoming one of the leading Bible conferences in the Convention.

In 1965 Mississippi Baptists took a giant step forward when the Children's Village moved from its old location on Woodrow Wilson Drive in Jackson to its commodious new plant in northwest Jackson.

1966 the Mississippi Baptist Men's Conference was organized with three officers, supplanting the former State Brotherhood Rally.

In 1966 the State Convention appointed a committee to study the immediate and long range needs for Baptist outreach on state-supported campuses. Later the Baptist colleges were added and the report will be given at the 1968 convention.

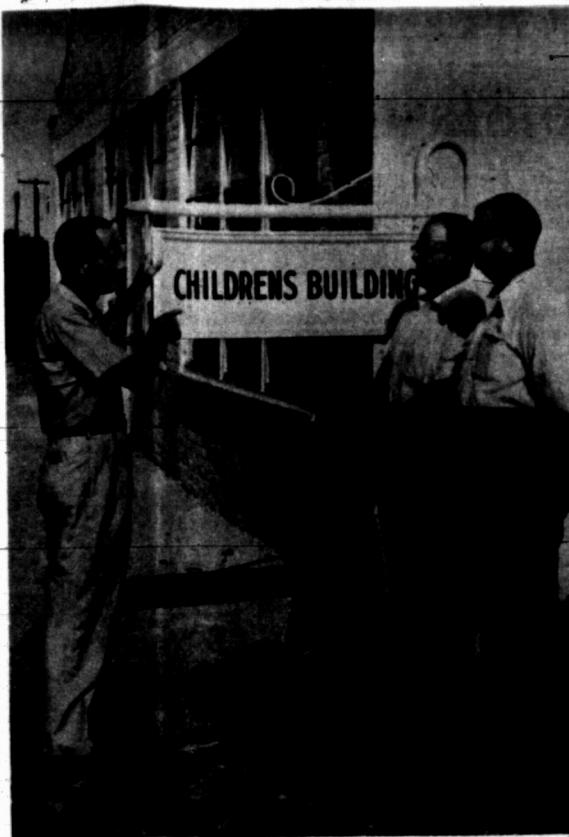
Perhaps the crowning achievement during the 18-year ministry of Dr. Quarles was the construction of the new Mississippi Baptist Convention Building.

Formal opening of the new building was held on Tuesday, July 2, just four days before his death on July 6. He presided over the formal opening service. This was, in fact, his last official service rendered for the board.

Planning for the new building began in 1955, with construction starting in 1966, and completion in the early summer of 1968.

In addition to his direct work with the Convention Board he worked closely with the officials of every phase of the life of the state convention and participated as well in the life of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Under the leadership of Dr. Quarles, and "with the cooperation of the brethren", Mississippi Baptists have for the past 18 years increasingly contributed their share in advancing the Kingdom of God on earth.



CHILDREN'S BUILDING—Dr. Quarles, with two leaders, survey the Children's Building at Gulfshore. Left to right: W. R. Roberts, A. L. Nelson, and Dr. Quarles. Mr. Roberts was the first director of assemblies for the Convention Board, and Mr. Nelson the second. Rev. Tom Douglas is the present one.

CHESTER QUARLES

THE ONE I KNEW

By W. R. Roberts
Annuity Secretary
Mississippi SBC

The late and beloved Chester meant a lot of different things to a lot of different people. To young people, he was their ideal, their inspiration. To pastors, he was their pastor.

To the employees at the Baptist Building, he was their champion. To Southern Baptist Boards, Commissions, and other Agencies, he was the loveable, cooperative state leader of Mississippi Baptists.

The Chester that I knew was different. We had an agreement between us, suggested by him, for neither of us ever to explain our decisions to each other. We both did foolish things at times but we never tried to explain such to each other. We understood.

Chester often said that every preacher needed at least one layman that he could trust all the way. For some reason, unknown to me, I was that layman that he chose. He would "try on for size" any idea that he had with me. Most times he did not pay much attention to what I thought but he found out that every one would not agree with him.

The Chester that I knew had the greatest capacity to love people, even unlovable people, that I ever knew. He did not have room in his heart to hold a grudge. One of his last

conversations with me concerned a person whom he said he had to pray for. This person had been critical of our work and Chester said he was hurting, not the critic, but himself. Knowing him, I knew he prayed for that critic.

Chester died just as he wanted to—in the harness. He never expected to live long but he did plan to live a full life. He knew full well his physical condition, but he could have cared less. After all, he was in the place that God put him, doing the things that God called him to do.

If God had let him plan his death and his funeral, I think he would have had it as it was. He loved missions and would have chosen a mission field as an ideal place to meet his Master. He would have surely wanted his beloved friend and pastor, Dr. Hodgins, to have charge of his funeral with his dear friend Dr. Odle assisting. The whole thing was almost as if Chester had written the script. After all, he had just dedicated our new Baptist Building. He left no unfinished business. He only left thousands of friends of all walks of life and all creeds and colors who loved him in life and honor him in death. Surely the great God of the Universe who tempers the wind to the shorn lambs will give us all peace in our souls in His own way.

Telegrams

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD AND STAFF EXTEND DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS IN THE DEATH OF YOUR BELOVED EXECUTIVE SECRETARY HE WAS A VALUABLE MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD AND WE WILL MISS HIM GREATLY WE REJOICE THAT HE WAS ABLE TO SEE THE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING COMPLETED AND DEDICATED AND THAT HE WAS ENGAGED IN THE MISSION TASK WHEN THE CALL CAME TO BE WITH THE LORD WE EXTEND DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO MRS. QUARLES AND ALL THE FAMILY.
—BAKER JAMES CAUTHEN

THE NORTHERN PLAINS BAPTIST CONVENTION IS SHOCKED AND SORROWFUL TO LEARN OF THE DEATH OF DR. CHESTER QUARLES. WE HAVE LOST A GREAT AND GOOD FRIEND BAPTISTS HAVE LOST AN OUTSTANDING LEADER. MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS HAVE LOST A BELOVED SERVANT. CECIL OSBORNE, CHAIRMAN OF OUR EXECUTIVE BOARD AND I WANT MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS AND FELLOW WORKERS OF DR. QUARLES TO KNOW OUR CONVENTION GRIEVES WITH YOU AND TO KNOW WE SUPPORT YOU WITH OUR PRAYERS.
NORTHERN PLAINS BAPTIST CONVENTION JOHN P. BAKER.

ON BEHALF OF ALL THE CATHOLICS OF MISSISSIPPI I EXPRESS TO ALL THE CLERGY AND MEMBERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION OUR SYMPATHY ON THE LOSS OF YOUR GREAT LEADER. HE WAS A TRUE CHRISTIAN GENTLEMAN AND I AM CONFIDENT WILL RECEIVE A WARM WELCOME IN THE CELESTIAL COURTS. ALL OF US VALUED HIS FRIENDSHIP.
BISHOP JOSEPH BRUNINI

THE CAUSE OF CHRIST HAS LOST ONE OF ITS GREATEST LEADERS, AND WE, ONE OF OUR DEAREST FRIENDS. WE JOIN MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST IN GRIEVING HIS LOSS, BUT REJOICE THAT HEAVEN HAS GAINED A RARE JEWEL.
E. J. DANIELS AND TEAM

WE WERE SO DEEPLY SHOCKED TO HEAR ABOUT THE DEATH OF DR. CHESTER QUARLES. IN HIS PASSING, MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS HAVE LOST A GREAT LEADER, SOUTHERN BAPTISTS HAVE LOST A GREAT STATESMAN AND MANY OF US HAVE LOST A GREAT FRIEND. OUR SYMPATHY TO THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY OF DR. QUARLES AND TO HIS BAPTIST FAMILY OF MISSISSIPPI.
JOHN D. BLOSKAS
Annuity Board

Legislature Honors Departed Leader

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LIFE OF THE LATE DR. CHESTER L. QUARLES, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION, AND EXPRESSING TO HIS FAMILY THE HEARTFELT SYMPATHY OF THE LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, God, in his infinite wisdom, called home one of his most faithful servants, Dr. Chester L. Quarles, on July 6, 1968; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Chester L. Quarles was born in Wiggins, Mississippi, and grew up as a boy in Gulfport, Mississippi; and WHEREAS, Dr. Chester L. Quarles graduated from Samford (formerly Howard College), Birmingham, Alabama, and Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, and received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Mississippi College; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Chester L. Quarles served as pastor of the Baptist Church of Newton, Alabama, later as Secretary of Student Work and Training Union for the Alabama Baptist State Convention, and then as director of associational work in the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Chester L. Quarles then served as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Leland, Mississippi, and then as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sylacauga, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the last eighteen years of his life were spent as Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, a period marked by notable achievements including the acquisition of the Gulfshore Baptist Assembly and Camp Kittiwake, both at Pass Christian, Mississippi, and climaxed perhaps by the occupancy and formal opening of the new million dollar four-story Mississippi Baptist Convention Building a few days prior to his death; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Chester L. Quarles had served as first vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention and as President of the Fellowship of Executive Secretaries of the Southern Baptist Convention; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Chester L. Quarles had traveled throughout the United States and abroad to South America, Europe and the Holy Land in serving his Lord and Savior and was on such a mission at the time of his death; and

WHEREAS, the life and work of Dr. Chester L. Quarles was marked by honors and accomplishments because of his complete and total dedication of self to the service of others in the name of his Lord and Savior and because he gave so freely of himself and his tremendous talent; and

WHEREAS, his passing is mourned not only by his widow, Mrs. Virginia Cooper Quarles; his son, Chester Leland Quarles; and his daughters, Mary Virginia Quarles and Grace Quarles; but also by all of those who knew and therefore loved him;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI STATE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the exemplary public and private life of Dr. Chester L. Quarles not only for the work which he accomplished but also for the example which he set; and we do hereby express our deepest sympathy to his family in their loss of a devoted husband and father and pray God's comfort for them in their sorrow.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an enrolled copy of this resolution be presented to his widow and to each of his three children.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE—July 10, 1968
Charles L. Sullivan, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—July 10, 1968
John R. Juniker
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Secretary Historical Trustees Pays Tribute To Dr. Quarles

By J. B. Butler
Secretary Trustees of Historical Commission

Again we are faced with the great mystery that shrouds this world. We question, but there is no reply. Out on the wide waste seas, there drifts no spar. Over the desert of death the sphinx gazes forever, but never speaks.

In the very July of life another heart has ceased to beat. Chester L. Quarles is dead. Night has fallen upon noon. But he lived, he loved, he was loved. The longest life contains no more. This fills the vase of joy.

He divided all time into today and tomorrow. Tomorrow was without a cloud, and of tomorrow he borrowed sunshine for today.

He believed that every pure thought, every disinterested deed, hastens the harvest of universal good.

Immortality is a word that Hope through all the ages has been whispering to Love. In every heart there grows this sacred flower. He looked through pity's tears upon the faults and frailties of mankind. He knew the springs and seeds of thought and deed, and saw, with cloudless eyes, through all the winding ways of greed, ambition and deceit, where folly vainly plucks with thorn-pierced hands the fading flowers of selfish joy, the highway of eternal right.

All there is of leaf and bud, of flower and fruit, of painted insect life, and all the winged and happy children of the air that Summer holds beneath her dome of blue, were known and loved by him.

His Love, Loyalty and Devotion to the 'Cause of Christ' were the regal jewels in his Crown of Life. His dedication to the Baptist Denomination was characteristic of his Noble, Christian Life.

Doctor Quarles was a man of integrity—a man who kept his word, who fulfilled his contracts, gave heaped and rounded measure and discharged all obligations with the fabled chivalry of ancient knights. He was absolutely honest, not only with others but with himself. To his last moment his soul was stainless.

He enjoyed this life—the good things of this world—the clasp and smile of friendship, the exchange of generous deeds, the reasonable gratification of the senses—of the wants of the body and mind. He was true to his ideal—true to his thought, and what his brain conceived his lips expressed.

At the end of his task he has fallen asleep, and we tell the story of his useful life—to pay our tribute to his work and worth. He was one who saw the dawn while others lived in the night. He kept his face toward the "purpling east" and watched the coming of the blessed day.

He loved the beautiful, and was with color, form and music touched to tears. He sided with the weak, the poor, and the wronged, and lovingly gave alms. With loyal heart and with the purest hands he faithfully discharged all public trusts.

His life was spent in doing good—in preaching what he believed to be the truth. Generous beyond his means; helping others help themselves; always hopeful, busy, just, cheerful; a model citizen—always thinking of the public good, devising ways and means to save something for posterity, feeling that what he had held in trust; loving Nature, familiar with the poetic side of things, touched to enthusiasm by the beautiful thought, the brave word; and the generous deed; friendly in manner, candid and kind in speech, modest, but persistent; enjoying leisure as only the industrious can; loving and gentle in his family; hospitable—judging men and women regardless of wealth, position or public clamor; physically fearless, intellectually honest, thoroughly informed, unselfish, sincere, and reliable as the attraction of gravitation.

A Life Lived For The Master

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nary, Louisville, Ky., where he earned the Th.M. degree, he coached two championship basketball teams, and directed the Baptist League of Louisville. His interest in sports continued throughout his life. In later years he became a proficient hunter, fisherman, and golfer.

For two summers at a YMCA camp, he instructed boys in America Red Cross lifesaving methods, a position no person in the world, with the use of only one arm, had held before.

In Kentucky, he was educational worker and director at Broadway Church, Louisville. Then in 1933 he accepted his first pastorate, at Newton, Alabama. He began preaching there in July, and on September 15, was ordained to the ministry at First Church, Troy, Dr. Frank L. Hardy, pastor. Dr. L. W. Dockery, pastor of First Church, Dothan, preached the ordination sermon.

At Dr. Quarles' funeral, Dr. Hudgins pointed out his love of mountains, and for climbing the heights — physical, mental, or spiritual. The *Charlton County Herald*, printed in Folkston, Ga. on September 21, 1934, an article, "Baptist Revival Began Monday Night with Rev. Quarles Revivalist." It announced: "Special services for the young people will be held Sunday night at seven on the subject, 'Walking in High Places'."

From 1935-40 he was state Training Union secretary for Alabama, and 1940-42 was associate southwide Training Union secretary, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

In 1937 a record was set—more new Training Unions were organized in Alabama than in any other state in the Southern Baptist Convention. While in Nashville, he edited the associational Training Union section of the *Training Union Magazine*. As this reveals, another of his talents and interests was that of writing. He contributed many articles to Southern Baptist periodicals through the years.

In 1942 he returned to the state of his birth as pastor of First Church, Leland. Five years later, when he had accepted the pastorate of First Church, Sylacauga, Alabama, he preached his farewell sermon at Leland on a Sunday night, on the subject, "Repent." Methodists and Presbyterians joined with Baptists in this service. The following week, in *The Leland Progress*, Geraldine Dean, columnist, wrote:

"Few people we meet in life have the power to lead others and to show others the good life. Chester is one of the few so endowed with the genuine spirit of love and concern for his fellowman. He is an untiring worker among men and what one would term a man's man. He has no fear of adventuring in the work of his Lord. He is missionary-minded in every way and surely one willing to do more than his share of the work to carry on

the projects of a church. He is a growing personality, alert and full of the spirit of progress for Christianity. He knows no stumbling block. He is always willing to undertake what he thinks is for the good of mankind. Surely all of Leland will miss a man like Chester Quarles."

From 1947 to 1950 he ministered in Sylacauga, and then, as Dr. A. L. Goodrich expressed it in a Baptist Record editorial, there came to him "a call of duty from on high."

He accepted the significant position offered him by Mississippi Baptists as their executive secretary, effective April 1, 1950. A reception honoring him and his family, and welcoming them to the state, was held Friday night, April 28, at the Baptist Building.

Some of the wonderful achievements which came about as a result of his eighteen years of leadership here, are mentioned in another article in this paper.

Back in 1936, while he was living in the house of W. L. Cooper, then pastor of Southside Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama (now missionary to Argentina, Virginia Cooper came from Tylertown, Mississippi, to Alabama to attend a southwide Training Union conference. W. L. introduced his sister to Quarles.

"Toyohiko Kagawa, the main speaker at this conference, was the drawing card that attracted the crowds," Dr. Quarles would reminisce, "but Virginia was the drawing card that attracted me!" He married her, a preacher's daughter, and a graduate of Mississippi Woman's College (now William Carey). The couple had three children, Mary Virginia, Chester Leland, and Grace Elaine. Mary Virginia teaches school in Florida; Chester Leland, criminologist with the Mississippi Highway Department, Jackson, is now married, and the father of three children; Grace is enrolled at William Carey College.

Dr. Quarles served as president of the Southern Baptist Executive Secretaries' Association, first vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, chairman of the Future Program Committee, Joint Promotion Conference of the SBC, member of the Joint Committee of Baptist Jubilee Advance, and at the time of his death was a member of the Foreign Mission Board, SBC. He was awarded a Doctor of Divinity degree from Mississippi College and a Doctor of Humanities degree from Mississippi Baptist Seminary.

He was intensely interested in missions, state, home, and foreign. Because of this, he conducted many preaching missions to other countries, as well as to different areas of this country. In his travels, he made use of every opportunity to visit and to observe Baptist missionaries at work.

He participated in a preaching mission to Jamaica and conducted preaching missions to Argentina and to Spain and

Italy. He visited Europe and the Holy Land when he attended the Baptist World Alliance in London in 1955. He conducted a touring party to South America when he attended the Baptist World Alliance in Rio in 1960, and a tour party to Europe, Turkey, and the Holy Land in 1967. In 1966 he was chaplain for the Mississippi Baptist Laymen's Stewardship Crusade to Spain, and the Canary Islands.

In the United States he led preaching missions to the Dakotas, Montana, Colorado, and Wyoming, and was chaplain for a Laymen's Crusade in Denver.

He was deeply concerned with, and did all he could to forward, mission work in Montana.

It was because of his evangelistic fervor and never-faltering interest in missions that he was enroute to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for the Baptist Laymen's Evangelism Congress when he died July 6 in Peru. And it was because of his mission interests that he had stopped to visit with Baptist missionaries in Lima, Peru.

During fifteen of the eighteen years that Dr. Quarles was state executive secretary, I was one of the Baptist Building employees, and I never knew him to be anything other than kind and friendly and helpful. Though he was extremely busy, he would always stop to help supply some needed item of information for a Baptist Record article.

Usually I would go to his office and wait in line to see him, or call him on the phone, to find out what I needed, or send a note by way of his secretary. But, on the last afternoon that I saw him, I was writing an article about the new Baptist Building, his great pride and joy. He came to my office, and just sat and talked about the Building, about some of the plans and ideas that had gone into it, and about his hopes for it in future.

He wanted a Baptist historical mural on the rear wall in the lobby. (A fund in memory of Dr. Quarles has been set up, toward the realization of that mural.)

As usual, his missionary interest came into the conversation. He said, "I can just see a large globe by the entrance of the Building. The electrical connection is already there for it. A globe continually revolving, and lighted at night. There will be lights from within at every Baptist mission point in the world. And every time a new mission is opened, another light will come on." He had perfect assurance that more mission points would open up, that Baptist work would continue to advance.

A discerning mind, a quick wit, a nimble tongue, a forceful personality, a love-filled heart, a dedicated soul—these helped to make up the man who was Chester Lew Quarles.

He was a Christian "on program for his Master." He was "constantly in the service of the Lord."



Dr. Quarles is seen above standing behind the grave of Richard Curtis, Jr., in southwest Mississippi. Dr. Curtis was the leader of the Baptist group from South Carolina that first settled in Mississippi about the year 1800. The occasion was the celebration of the 150th anniversary of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Mississippi Association on May 5, 1956. At left is Judge J. P. Coleman, who was then governor of Mississippi and at right is Rev. H. J. McCool, at the time pastor of Ebenezer Church.

His Last Two Days

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that he wanted to see the needs, the actual situation of the people. I drove to the extreme southern part of Lima where thousands and thousands of people live in what we call invaded areas. The people live in unfinished houses and cane huts. Every time they can buy a few more bricks, they build a little more. These are uprooted people who are building for a better tomorrow. The parents, even though they are poor and many uneducated, are determined that their children will receive an education. Dr. Quarles enjoyed this area, these people. He said that this was just what he wanted to see—people with a determination to work — people with hope.

As we returned we passed by the Miraflores Church building. From there we talked about the possibility of going to the silver factory where he purchased the silver roosters in 1960. Since the factory is located on the north side of Lima, and the afternoon was about gone, we decided against making this trip. We then went to visit the James Reddings and Miss Charlotte Bryant, B.S.U. summer missionary from Blue Mountain College. Mr. Redding had served in Mississippi as Associational Missionary before coming to Peru. Dr. Quarles said Mr. Redding was one of the best workers he had ever had. After the visit with the Reddings we returned to my home where Dr. Quarles took a short nap in an easy chair.

At 7 p. m. Dr. Quarles, Vickie, and I went to the Baptist Bookstore for a moment and then to the First Baptist Church where he spoke to the English congregation. Most of the members of this congregation are military or work with some U. S. government program in Peru.

The Scripture passage read by Dr. Quarles was Luke 9:57-62. He gave a simple but brilliant exposition of what he said was one of his favorite passages. He made reference to the 1957 preaching tour to Argentina and one of Dr. Earl Kelly's experiences about the girl who ran home to her father and said, "I've found some who believed the way we ought to believe."

Went To Hotel

After the service Dr. Quarles, Vickie, Steve Dittmore, (Southern Baptist missionary serving in Piura, Peru) and I went to the Bolivar Hotel for dinner. The time was about 9:20 p. m. when we entered the dining room. We saw Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cooper and Rev. and Mrs. Griggs from the Home Mission Board. Dr. Quarles had hoped to cross paths with Mr. Cooper. He and Mr. Cooper talked about ten minutes after which we placed our order for dinner.

Dr. Quarles ordered onion soup, filet mignon and with the meal drank two cups of coffee with milk. As we ate

he told of his desire to serve an English speaking congregation in some foreign country upon retirement. He also told us about the work of Mississippi Baptists in helping to restore and rebuild the Negro churches which had been burned and bombed. He was very proud of the work of Mississippi Baptists.

After eating he asked if I could show him how to operate his travel iron on 220 volt current. Dr. Quarles said goodbye to Vickie and Steve and I went with him for a moment to his room to show him which were the 220 outlets. I checked the iron and set it for 220 volts. We shook hands and he told me how much he had enjoyed the day. I returned to the lobby. Steve, Vickie and I came home.

Mr. Buckley, the Dasatour agent, came for Dr. Quarles at 7 a. m., July 5, 1968, to take him to the airport for the trip to Cuzco. Cuzco, Peru, the archaeological capital of the Americas, lies in the valley at 11,380 feet above sea level. On three sides the mountains rise like giants. To the southeast the valley opens widely and extends for miles. The two small rivers which flow through the valley keep it green.

On Friday, July 5, at 7 a. m., Dr. Chester Quarles left the Bolivar Hotel in Lima with the Dasatour guide to go to the airport. At 8:05 the Faucett Airline Jet took off headed for Cuzco. At 9:20 the jet landed in Cuzco.

The following was related to missionary Bryan Brasington by the Dasatour guide, in Cuzco, Juan Cornejo.

"I met Dr. Quarles at the airport and took him to the annex of the Tourist Hotel—room 307. I told him to rest and give his body time to become accustomed to the altitude. The annex is three blocks from the main building of the Tourist Hotel so shortly before noon I sent a taxi to take Dr. Quarles there. He ate lunch in the dining room and stayed in the main lounge of the hotel until 2:30 p. m. when his guide, Mr. Mejia of Dasatour came by

for the afternoon tour."

The afternoon was extremely cold — a slight rain was falling. Just Mr. Mejia and Dr. Quarles were together. They took in the archaeological sights around the city. It was so cold that Dr. Quarles did not get out of the car. The tour was over at 5 p. m. and he was taken to the hotel annex to rest.

Sat In Lounge

At 7 p. m. I went by in a taxi to take Dr. Quarles to the main part of the hotel. The dining room did not open until 7:30 so we sat in the lounge before the fire in the fireplace. It was cold — about five above zero — and the fire felt good. Dr. Quarles said the altitude did not bother him. He asked me about my religion. He told me he was a Baptist and what he believed as a Christian.

At 7:30, Dr. Quarles went into the dining room for dinner. I arranged for a private taxi to take him back to the annex. He did no walking outside in the cold while in Cuzco. I had transportation for him at all times.

Room 307 of the hotel annex was heated. There is hot water. A heavy rug is on the floor. It is one of the best rooms in the entire hotel.

Dr. Quarles returned to this room after dinner. It is thought by the porter that he took a shower before retiring.

At 6:20 a. m., July 6th, a number of tourists were in the lobby talking to the guide who was to take them to Machu Picchu, the Inca ruins. The guide said, "Where is Dr. Quarles?" The porter knocked on the door of room 307. There was no answer. He returned to the desk for the master key. When he opened the door, Dr. Quarles was in bed dressed in his pajamas. The porter noticing that Dr. Quarles could not be awakened, called the administrator who came immediately. Upon seeing the situation, the administrator phoned Dr. Galvez and Dr. Guillermo Coll. These doctors are on call at all times for tourists. Both were there in a matter of minutes. After examination, Dr.

A Special Story For Eastertime

(This clipping was found in the billfold of Dr. Chester L. Quarles.)

GROVE HILL (Special) — The following letter was published last year in a religious publication. It was a letter from the late Dr. Harry Rimmer to the Rev. Charles Fuller, of the Old-Fashioned Revival Hour, and before the letter ever reached Dr. Fuller, Dr. Rimmer had a life passed from this life.

"Next Sunday you are going to talk about Heaven. I am interested in that land because I have held a clear title to a bit of property there for about 50 years. I did not buy it. It was given to me without a price. But the donor purchased it for me at a tremendous sacrifice.

"I am not holding it for speculation. It is not a vacant lot. For more than half a century I have been sending materials up to the greatest architect of the universe who has been building a home for me which will never need remodeling, or repairing because it will suit me perfectly, individually, and will never grow old.

"Termites can never undermine its foundations, for it rests upon the 'Rock of Ages.' Fire cannot destroy it, floods cannot wash it away. No lock or bolts will ever be placed upon the doors. For no vicious person can enter the land where my dwelling stands, almost completed and almost ready for me to enter in and abide in peace eternally without fear of being ejected.

"There is a valley of deep shadow between this place where I live and that to which I shall journey in a very short time. I cannot reach my home in that city without passing through this valley. But I am not afraid because the best friend I ever had went through the same valley long, long ago and drove away its gloom.

"He has stuck with me through thick and thin since we first became acquainted 55 years ago. And I own His promise in printed form never to forsake me or leave me alone.

"He will be with me as I walk through the valley of the shadow, and I shall not lose my way when He is with me. I hope to hear your sermon on Heaven next Sunday, but I have no assurance I shall be able to do so. My ticket to Heaven has no date marked for the journey, no return coupon, and no permit for baggage. Yes, I am ready to go, and I may not be here while you are talking next Sunday evening, but I will meet you there someday. Signed, Harry Rimmer."

Harry Rimmer died before the next Sunday got there.

Quarles was pronounced dead.

The judge and the police were called. The body was taken to the Cuzco Hospital. The judge sealed off the room — locked the door. The police looked over the room — made their investigation. The personal effects of Dr. Quarles were taken to the Police Station where an inventory was made. This inventory list with the personal effects was given to the judge. Later, the personal items were given to me to be taken to the U. S. Embassy in Lima. This I did on July 9th. The effects were checked again at the embassy and everything was there according to the certified list signed by the Cuzco judge. After this, the personal effects were given to Rev. Brasington to be shipped to the family in the states."

The doctors estimated the time of death at about 5 a. m., July 6th.



Dr. Quarles had many friends among Southern Baptist leaders and he is seen here several years ago in company with several, from left: Dr. Quarles; Dr. Joe Davis Heacock, of Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas; the late Dr. J. E. Lambdin, who was secretary of the Training Union Department of the BSSB; and Dr. Allen Graves, of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., from which Dr. Quarles was graduated.



For the past several years the annual Youth Night session of the State Convention has been held in the Mississippi Coliseum with approximately 10,000 people, mostly young people, attending each year from every section of the state. Shown above is the crowd at a recent service. Dr. Quarles was instrumental in the development of this annual service.

Churches In The News

Wayside Church, Scohey, formed in 1895, under leadership of the late Rev. Gabe Martin, will have Homecoming Day Sunday August 18. Plans for a new church will be on display. This date will also mark the beginning of a revival, (see Revival Dates.) The pastor, Rev. William G. West, Jr., and the deacons, Darrell Briscoe, John Hill, Martin, Brewer Martin, and G. P. Roberts extend a welcome to all friends, former members and their families, and former pastors to attend.

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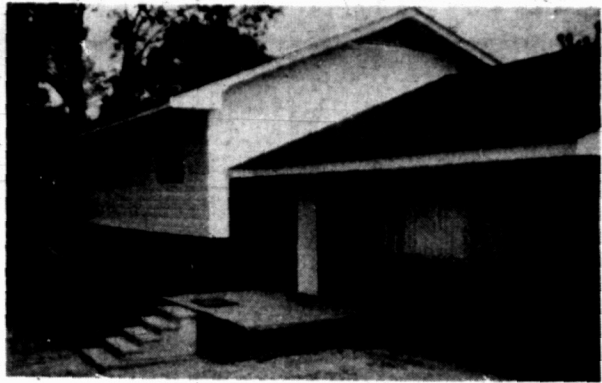
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Open House At Harrisville

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. McCain recently had open house for the new pastorial house (pictured). The house is of modern quadra-level construction which consists of four bedrooms and two baths on one level; a dining-living room combination and a kitchen-dinette combination on another level. The den and carport are on a separate level. The lower level consists of a large basement with a half-bath. The house has 3140 square feet of space under roof. There is a concrete patio across the back of one level of the house. The house is

centrally air-conditioned and located; the living and dining room has carpeting. The house was built for about one-third the appraisal price. The members of the church, the pastor, and interested friends did the work.



Baker and Moore

First, Senatobia, Pays For Sanctuary Six Years Early

Magnolia Park, Jackson: July 14-20; Rev. John Hilbun, pastor; McDowell Road Church, Jackson, evangelist; 30 decisions with 6 professions of faith; Rev. Jasper Collins, pastor.

Holly Grove, Bells, Tenn.: Rev. Henry Bennett, pastor at Byram, evangelist; Terry Patterson, music leader; Rev. Earl Wells, pastor; 14 for baptism; 29 other decisions.



Ingalls Avenue Holds 'Dedication Day'

A Day of Dedication was held on June 30 at Ingalls Avenue Church, Pascagoula. The day marked the church's third anniversary.

The sermon of dedication was preached by the pastor, Rev. Grady Parker. Included was special music by the church choir and by Dewey Love, minister of music.

Ingalls Avenue began as a mission on July 23, 1962. The mission met in a tent and had 25 members. In early 1963, a permanent building was constructed and entered. The mission was organized into a church on June 27, 1965, with 146 charter members. The church continued to grow until a larger building became a

At First Church, Senatobia, on July 1, the last note on the original indebtedness of \$207,600.00 for the new sanctuary was paid. This dream became a reality six years earlier than anticipated, since

the projected date for debt retirement was 1973. The new sanctuary, completed in October of 1958, provides for the seating of 655 worshippers.

A special note burning ceremony was conducted at the regular morning worship service, July 7, with long-time (40 years) church treasurer, C. S. Baker and M. P. Moore, chairman of deacons.

The overall expansion program of First Church has continued to grow, and in 1963 a drive and parking lot were completed.

In 1966 the educational building was extended on the first and second levels to provide space for additional Beginner and Primary departments.

Also in 1966 the ball field and tennis courts located behind the church were lighted. Beginning earlier this year the old sanctuary has been completely renovated at a cost of \$14,000.

On Mother's Day, funds were raised for a Baldwin organ to be placed in the chapel. The full price of the organ and Mass Rowe chimes were provided through contributions given in memory or in honor of mothers.

The church will celebrate its 100th anniversary next year with a week of planned activities during the month of June. Portraits of all former pastors of the church now hang in the conference room with the dates they served as pastor.

Dr. John Flowers is completing his ninth year as pastor of the church.

Father Of SBC Official Dies

JOHNSTON CITY, ILL. (BP)—William Williams, father of John Williams, Financial Planning Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, died here Tuesday, July 23, after an extended illness. Funeral services were held Thursday, July 25, at Johnston City.



REV. HORACE GLASS, pastor, Barton Baptist Church, Georgia Association, reports the following: "We had GROWTH IN CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP October 29-November 19 of 1967. At that time we needed \$350.00 per week to meet the budget. The Demonstration Day offering was \$1,620.00. The following two weeks the combined offering was \$1,177.00. The average for the five weeks was \$707.20; more than double the weekly budget. We will go over \$25,000.00 this year. In about 18 months from December of 1966, we paid off all indebtedness and have over \$10,000.00 in Savings or Building Fund. We have voted to build an educational unit which will cost \$40,000.00 or more."

Missionaries To Go On Alaska Crusade

Fifteen Baptist superintendents of missions, along with two state Baptist Convention workers, are scheduled to participate in a Crusade to Alaska August 7-21.

The Crusade is being sponsored by the Cooperative Missions Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Dr. Foy Rogers, director, in cooperation with the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

About one half the men will board a plane in Jackson Tuesday morning, August 6 with the other half joining the group in Memphis.

Stops have been planned in

Chicago and Seattle where the group will visit Baptist mission points of interest.

The group will land in Anchorage and go from there via auto to their various points of service.

Rev. E. W. Hunke, Alaska Baptist executive secretary, said that the purpose of the Crusade is to strengthen the existing churches there and to begin new church organizations.

The Alaska Baptist missions director is Rev. E. C. Chron. Expenses of the missionaries will be paid in each case by the associational organization and by contributions from churches and individuals within the association.

Dr. Rogers said that this was the first such crusade involving missionaries from Mississippi.

Those to make the Crusade are as follows:

Rev. W. C. Gann, of Booneville (Prentiss-Tishomingo association); Dr. C. H. Melton, Newton (Newton association); Rev. Hollis Bryant, Laurel (Jones); Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Pontotoc (Pontotoc); Rev. James Terpo, Batesville (Panola); Rev. Leon Young, Meridian (Laurel); Rev. Eugene Roberts, Brookhaven (Copiah-Lincoln); Rev. J. D. Lundy, Greenville, (Washington); Rev. Maurice Flowers, Merigold (Bolivar); Rev.

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TRUSTEE OFFICERS—These three men will serve as officers of the Mississippi College Board of Trustees during the 1968-69 school year. They were elected at their most recent meeting held on campus. Pictured, from the left, are T. M. Hederman, Jr., of Jackson, president; George Thornton of Kosciusko, vice-president; and Rev. Clark McMurray of Pascagoula, secretary. Hederman succeeds B. C. Rogers of Morrow in the top position. (M. C. Photo)

Home Missionary Dies In Tucson

TUCSON, Ariz. (BP)—Roland Ervin Wiley, 51, Southern Baptist missionary in the juvenile rehabilitation ministry of the Home Mission Board, died July 9 in Tucson Medical Hospital after a long illness.

Classified as an associate missionary, Mr. Wiley had worked in the Tucson area

Lester J. Jones, Philadelphia (Kemper - Neshoba); Rev. Joseph Oliver, Amory (Monroe); Rev. Harry Phillips, Walnut (Benton - Tippah); Rev. Guy Graham, Guntown (Itawamba); Rev. Charles Everitt, Purvis (Lamar-Pearl River); Rev. Ervin Brown, Hernando (DeSoto).

Also going are Rev. Leon Emery and Therman Bryant, both associates in the Cooperative Missions Department.

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A Pause For Reflection

By Dr. Perry Claxton, Pastor, First, Greenville
Acts 17:28 "For in Him we live, and move and have our being; as certain also of your poets have said, For we are also His offspring."

I think we are all conscious of our physical support. We value our health, skill, and social advantages. For in the earthly sense, in them we live and move and have our being. From the health standpoint I recently had it very conclusively illustrated as I stood with a group of fellow-townsmen watching the operation of an iron lung. Within it was a man who was depending upon it for life and had done so for several years. We were told that there were times when he attempted to live outside of it but with every trial it became more and more apparent that he must live and move and have his being within it.

Most of the world would be greatly concerned about the teaching of Acts 17:28, because it ascribes limitation. Most of us human beings have the naive belief that freedom is always found beyond conventional boundaries. But the thoughtful will reflect upon the wisdom of protective limitation which is an act of God's mercy.

Consider the little goldfish confined to his garden pool. Suppose he should become unhappy under his limitation and should come to the belief that his liberty was outside his watery home, and on one bright morning when the early sun sparkled upon the surface of his prison, the little fish makes a mighty leap to freedom. There upon the grass in the wide-open world he leaps and dances with joy until the tragic truth begins to dawn. He cannot live without his pool, and so, after some weak contortions of the body he dies.

I think Paul had in mind such an imperative when he declared this text. A Christian cannot live apart from Christ. We must not forget that while our creation depends upon the creator, the power to live both physically and spiritually also springs from Him.

State Man To Take Part In Frontier Crusade

A Mississippi layman will be among 30 men from 12 states participating in the Frontier Simultaneous Crusade August 5-11, involving 11 Southern Baptist churches.

Howard Carpenter, Senobia, will assist in evangelistic efforts in the Frontier Baptist Association in western New York and northwest Pennsylvania.

The laymen will conduct surveys, engage in personal evangelism, and lead evangelistic services in various churches and chapels. Charles E. Magruder, superintendent

of missions for the Frontier Association, will coordinate their work.

Each of the men is paying his own travel expense to the area. Upon arrival, each layman will report to a previously assigned church, which will become his base of operations for the seven-day crusade.

Sponsors of the project are the Brotherhood Commission and Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the state Brotherhood departments. The Frontier Crusade is the latest in a series of such efforts in pioneer mission areas since 1964.



THE THREE PHOTOS above show furniture being unloaded in Rapid City, South Dakota, to be used by the Northern Plains Baptist Convention. The furniture was sent from the old Baptist Building in Jackson.



CLAUDE TOWNSEND OF JACKSON, Owen Cooper of Yazoo City and other members of the Pioneer Missions Committee, provided six Yamaha chord organs for the Northern Plains Convention. Above, they are shown being loaded in front of Townsend Piano Company in Jackson.

GIFT FROM BAPTISTS

Northern Plains Baptist Convention Receives Furniture From Mississippi

NOTE: When state Baptist employees moved into the new Mississippi Baptist Building, a truckload of furniture and equipment from the old building was sent to the Northern Plains Baptist Convention, which is composed of the states of Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, and South Dakota. (There are 75 Southern Baptist churches in the territory, with around 10,000 members.) Rev. John P. Baker, who had been serving as director of missions and stewardship for the Colorado Baptist Convention, was named executive secretary-treasurer of the Northern Plains Convention when it was formed last fall.

The U-Haul truck took, among other things, the following items, from Mississippi Baptist headquarters in Rapid City, South Dakota: four desks for department directors; four chairs for department directors; four typewriter desks for secretaries; four secretarial chairs; several dictating and transcribing machines; twelve four-drawer filing cabinets; pencil sharpeners; storage cabinets; twenty-five miscellaneous chairs; and three small metal typewriter tables.

By Bob Lawrence, Director, Dept. of Religious Education Northern Plains Baptist Convention

It was a joyous day when the U-Haul truck pulled up in front of the offices of the Northern Plains Baptist Convention in Rapid City, South Dakota. The staff was thrilled because it meant the end of using paper towel boxes as desks and chairs as typing tables. There was not room on the boxes for the phones so they were on the floor. The bending did, however, provide good exercise.

The words, "joyous" and "thrilled," were mild expres-



REV. JOHN PARKER, executive secretary, Northern Plains Baptist Convention, sits at his "new desk" from Mississippi.

sions that were made and felt as the furniture began to be unloaded. As it was put in place, how good it was to have something sturdy to work on. A good chair at last made a person feel like getting to work. Drawers! Drawers meant the end of digging through boxes looking for that letter opener, scissors, paper clips and the like.

By the middle of the afternoon, desks and chairs for four executive offices were in place. Desks and chairs for three secretaries were being used. Smiles of gratefulness were on every face.

Not only did this provide wonderful places of work for the staff but Mississippi's providing all of the office furniture made it possible to use the \$2,500.00 in the budget for equipment to purchase the other much needed equipment. It would have been impossible for us to have had the equipment needed to do our work if Mississippi had not provided all of our lovely office furniture.

There was a bonus on the truck, too. The Lord knew that many of the places where we had planned one of the forty-five mission Vacation Bible Schools and the Project 500 projects, there would be no piano. Owen Cooper, Claude

Townsend and the other members of the Pioneer Mission Committee have made a musical instrument possible for these places by providing us with six Yamaha chord organs.

Words somehow just do not come to express the gratitude of our hearts to all of you in Mississippi for all of your help. With Paul, let us say, "Every time I remember you—I thank my God,—for your cooperation in spreading the good news—" (Philippians 1:1)

Blackwell Moves To Midway Church

Rev. E. C. Blackwell has resigned as pastor of Valley Grove Church in Pontotoc County to accept a similar post at Midway Church in the same county. Mr. Blackwell makes his home in Tupelo.

During the fourteen months that he served at Valley Grove there were 74 additions to the membership, 54 by baptism. The church budget more than tripled, and the church began regular mission gifts through the local associational missions program and also through the Cooperative Program.

REVIVAL DATES

Thomastown (Leake): August 4-9; Rev. W. C. Smith, Louisville, evangelist; Rev. J. W. Nolen, pastor, and song leader.

Zion Hill (Amite): August 4-9; Rev. James DuBose, who

has recently accepted the pastorate of Zion Hill, evangelist; Eddie King, Johnson Station Church, singer; Mrs. Thomas Dawson, organist; Miss Janice Dawson, pianist; homecoming on Sunday, August 4, with

dinner on the grounds and afternoon service.

Chapel Hill (Hinds): July 28 thru August 2; Rev. Tom Hudson, pastor of Oak Forest Church, Jackson, evangelist; Lacy Potter, Tupelo, singer; Rev. Harold J. Overton, pastor.

Flag Chapel (Hinds): July

28 - August 2; services nightly at 7:30; Sunday service at 11 a. m.; Rev. Harold Bryson, pastor of First Church, Sumrall, evangelist; music under direction of Rev. Don Nerren, pastor.

Glade Church, Laurel: August 4-11; Rev. Ralph Graves, Chaplain at Le Tourneau in Vicksburg, evangelist; Bobby

Seale, music director; services at regular time on Sunday; weekday services at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; dinner at the church August 4; Rev. Roy Myers, pastor.

Coldwater Church: August 4-9; services at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Rev. John F. May, pastor, Speedway Terrace Church, Memphis, Tennessee, evangelist; C. Truitt Roberts, minister of music, Ardmore Church, Memphis, singer; Rev. Anthony S. Kay, pastor.

Oakland Church, Oakland: July 28 - August 2; Rev. Frank Mixon, pastor at O'Tuckalofa, evangelist; Rev. Buford Sellers, Oakland pastor, song leader; services at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Wayside, Scooby: August 18-23; Rev. James Douglas Riley, Bowling Green, Kentucky, evangelist; Miss Marie Cox, Blue Mountain College and Scooby, song leader; Rev. William G. West, Jr., pastor.

Leesburg: August 4-9; Rev. James D. Watson, evangelist; J. B. Betts, singer; Rev. R. W. Porter, pastor.

New Zion (Choctaw): August 4-9; Rev. J. C. McIntire, Baldwin, evangelist; Rev. Ernest Hathcock, pastor.

Mars Hill Church (Mississippi Association): August 4-9; Rev. Robert Perry, pastor, New Palestine Church, Picayune, evangelist; W. Arnett Sullivan, Baton Rouge, music director; services Sunday, August 4 at 11 a. m. and 1:15 p. m. with dinner on the grounds; weekly services at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Rev. W. A. Sullivan, pastor.

First Church, Taylorsville: August 5-11; Rev. Ed Bryon, fulltime evangelist of Clinton, speaker; Francis LaRoeque, evangelistic singer from Lake Charles, La., leading singing; services at 7 a. m. Tuesday thru Friday and 7:30 p. m. during week; Rev. George Horn, pastor.

First Church, Calhoun City: Youth-Led Revival, July 31-August 4; Buddy Wagner, Isola, evangelist; Walter Price, Amory, singer; both seniors at Mississippi College; services at 8:00 each evening with Youth Fellowship following each service; Rev. Bill R. Baker, pastor.

Sand Hill (Greene): August 5-11; services during week at 7:30 p. m.; regular times on Sunday; Dr. Don H. Stewart (pictured), chairman of the



Rev. David Edenfield, Carey College student, pastor.

East Howard, Biloxi: Aug. 4-9; Rev. John Wade, Sr., pastor of Pass Road Church, evangelist (pictured); Rev. Oscar L. Russell, pastor; C. H. Stone, Sr., Minister of Music.



Zion (Pontotoc): August 4-9; evangelist, Rev. Raymond A. Wilson, pastor, Calvary, Greenville; musician, Buddy Tonnison, Saltillo, music director, Zion; services at 10:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.; Rev. Truman D. Scarborough, pastor.

Chunky: August 4-9; Rev. Alfred E. von, evangelist; Ricky Munn, singer; weekday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. except Friday night, which will be at 8; Rev. Carlton Jones, Pastor.

Crooked Creek (Lawrence): August 4-9; homecoming Sunday, August 4; Rev. Sutton Smith, Carson Church, evangelist; Rev. Edward Smith, pastor; Sunday services 11 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. and lunch at the church; weekdays at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Carmel (Lawrence): Aug. 4-11; Rev. Estus Mason, evangelist; Wendell Russell, music director; Mrs. Phil J. Walker, organist; Miss Elizabeth Ruth Russell, pianist; Rev. Phil J. Walker, pastor.

Carriere (Pearl River): August 4-9; Rev. Bill Oakley, pastor of Emmanuel Church, Grenada, evangelist; Dwight Kemp, music director; Miss Jan Sumrall, pianist; Miss

Cheryle Morehead, organist; Rev. William Gary Smith, pastor; evening services only at 7:30 p. m.

Rawls Springs (Lebanon): August 4-9; Rev. Douglas Rouse, pastor, Glendale, First, evangelist; dinner on the ground Sunday, August 4; Rev. Bill Mitchell, pastor, and song leader.

Lucien Church (Franklin): August 4-9; Dr. Jewel Kyzar, Bude, evangelist; Homer Case, song leader; Sunday services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; weekday services at 1:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Julius B. Gonia, pastor.

Barton (George): August 4-9; Rev. James M. Metts, Jr., First, Indianola, evangelist; Donald Brown, First, Indianola, music director; Rev. Horace M. Glass, pastor.

Springhill (Tallahatchie): August 4-11; Rev. Ronald Jordan, Bethlehem (Yazoo), evangelist; Glenn D. Davis, McLaurin Heights, (Rankin), singer; Rev. Leon Adams, pastor.

Van Winkle, Jackson: August 5-11; Rev. James Butler, Picayune, evangelist; John Heiden of Jackson, singer; Rev. H. A. Milner, pastor.

Morrison Chapel, Cleveland: August 4-9; Rev. H. L. Fewell, Highland, Vicksburg, evangelist; Rev. S. W. Valentine, Southside, Jackson, music director; Rev. Dewitt Mitchell, pastor.

Leaf, Greene: August 5-11; Rev. Jimmy Gandy (pictured), Mobile, Ala., evangelist; Rev. David Perry pastor and song leader.

Raymond Road, Jackson: Aug. 4-9; 8 p. m. Rev. Joe Royalty, (pictured), Pastor of Clinton Blvd., Jackson, evangelist; Randy Smith, singer; R. R. Newman, pastor.

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